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H

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Peters, E. M.	McCrary	Retired
Peters, O. D.	Augusta	Augusta
Peterson, W. W.	Dyess	Dyess-Whitton
Pruitt, J. L.	Clinton	Clinton

R

Reaves, Eric J.	Fayetteville	Retired
Remaley, D. P.	Sulphur Springs	Sulphur Springs
Reves, C. M.	Hendrix Station, Conway	Retired
Reynolds, J. A.	Vilonia	Retired
Richey, J. C.	Hunter	Hunter
Riggs, A. L.	Farmington	Farmington
Roebuck, Fred G.	1112 Adelaide, Ft. Smith	Ft. Smith, First Church
Rowland, J. L.	415 N. Garden St., Roswell, N. M.	Retired
Russell, W. L. (a)	Roby, Texas	Retired
Russell, A. W. (a)	Whiteville, Tenn.	Retired

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Sage, J. Abner	325 E. Young, Tulsa	Retired
Sanford, Glenn F.	150 5th Ave., New York	Board of Missions
Sanford, H. M.	605 Lake St., Blytheville	Blytheville, Lake Street
Scroggin, W. O., Jr.	Osceola	Osceola
Seals, Ray D.	6017 ASU, Camp Hanford, Wash.	Chaplain
Seneker, James S.	3421 Haynie, Dallas	Prof. Perkins School of Theol.
Sessions, Robert P.	Van Buren	Van Buren, St. John
Sewell, E. K. (a)	Osceola	Retired
Shell, Frank	Cave City	Cave City
Shelton, James R.	SMU, Dallas 5, Tex.	Student, Perkins Sch. of Theol.
Sherman, Jefferson	Searcy	Retired
Sherman, William	Fayetteville	Retired
Sidwell, Mrs. Ora (a)	1112 E. Ledbetter, Dallas, Tex.	Retired
Simmons, J. W. (a)	Boydsville	Retired
Simpson, Arnold M.	Fayetteville	Fayetteville Wiggins Memorial
Smith, J. H.	Heber Springs	Retired
Smith, Uriah	Branch	Branch Ct.
Smith, W. C.	RFD, Marmaduke	Retired
Spence, Harold	Jacksonville	Jacksonville
Spicer, W. J.	Booneville	Booneville
Steele, Norris	Hickory Ridge	Hickory Ridge-Fisher
Stevenson, E. E.	Joiner	Joiner
Stewart, George E.	Beebe	Beebe
Stewart, J. B.	Newark	Retired
Stewart, W. A., Jr.	Lepanto	Lepanto
Storey, A. N.	Hendrix Station, Conway	Exec. Secy. Town and Country Commission
Sturdy, Bates	State Sanitorium	Chaplain
Sutherland, Grover (a)	Bethesda	Retired
Sweet, F. M. (a)	Manila	Retired

THE METHODIST CHURCH

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Name	Address	Appointment
Taylor, G. C.	Marianna	Marianna
Teague, Otto W.	311 E. Broadway, Forrest City	District Supt.
Thomasson, Elmo	Walnut Ridge	Walnut Ridge
Turner, Luther L.	Maynard	Maynard-Ravenden Springs

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Upton, James S.	Hendrix Station, Conway	Professor, Hendrix College
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V

Villines, Floyd G., Sr.	1207 N. 5th, Ft. Smith	Retired
Villines, Floyd G., Jr.	Piggott	Piggott

W

Wade, H. Lynn	Charleston	Charleston
Wages, Charles	Widener	Widener-Round Pond
Wasson, A. W.	SMU, Dallas, Texas	Retired
Watson, J. William	22nd and Poplar, No. Little Rock	NLR First Church
Watson, Sam G.	Elaine	Elaine
Wayland, Edward T.	1136 Donaghey Bldg., Little Rock	Editor, Ark. Meth.
Wayland, Ewing T.	1136 Donaghey Bldg., Little Rock	Editor, Ark. Meth.
Weatherford, James F.	Weona	Weona-Center View
Weaver, Lester (a)	2801 4th Ave., Richmond, Va.	Retired
Weaver, Porter	Marvell	Marvell
Whaley, W. P. (a)	Conway	Retired
Whiddon, Thomas R.	Huntsville	Madison County, No. 1
Whitten, Coy E. (a)	23 Pine Hill Terrace, Little Rock	Retired
Wilcox, J. Clarence	Brinkley	Brinkley
Wilder, William M.	Lincoln	Lincoln
Wilford, B. L.	Caraway	Retired
Wilford, S. B.	303 W. Main, Paragould	Paragould, First Church
Williams, E. B.	Helena	Helena
Williams, Walter J. (a)	Piggott	Retired
Wilson, Charles F. (a)	707 Warner, Jonesboro	Retired
Wilson, Luther K.	Route 3, North Little Rock	NLR, Sylvan Hills
Winegeart, Jack S.	Central Church, Fayetteville	Central, F'ville., Asso.
Womack, Harold D.	Wynne	Wynne
Womack, John A.	Jonesboro	Retired
Womack, W. M.	McCrory	McCrory
Womack, W. Vance	2026 South 'L', Ft. Smith	Retired
Woodruff, Rudolph (a)	Air Research and Development Command, Baltimore, Md.	Chaplain
Woods, Woodrow	Elm Springs	Elm Springs
Workman, James W.	Lone Star, Texas	Chaplain in Industry
Workman, John S.	Newark	Newark
Wright, Elvis D.	RFD, Paragould	Paragould, West Parish
Wyatt, Charles B.	310 No. 11th, Ft. Smith	Grand Ave., Ft. Smith

Y

Yount, W. B.	Cherry Valley	Cherry Valley
York, J. W. (a)	El Dorado, Ill.	Retired

MEMBERS IN COURSE OF STUDY

FULL CONNECTION

Class of the Fourth Year

Hays, Aubra	Turrell	Turrell-Gilmore
Lawson, Marvest	Duke University, Durham, N. C.	Divinity School
Martin, George Wayne	SMU, Dallas 5, Tex.	Perkins School of Theology

Class of the Third Year

Anderson, Gail G.	Black Rock	Black Rock-Portia
Byers, Leonard	Mulberry	Mulberry
Burrow, Ray	Mammoth Spring	Mammoth Spring
Casteel, Charles	Calico Rock	Calico Rock
Hightower, William	Pottsville	Pottsville
Kelley, Paul	5109 S. 30th, Ft. Smith	St. Luke, Ft. Smith
Mooring, Fred	SMU, Dallas 5, Tex.	Perkins School of Theology
Renfro, Kenneth	Biggers	Biggers-Knobel
Stallcup, B. W.	Moorefield	Moorefield-Asbury
Walker, Willie L.	SMU, Dallas 5, Tex.	Perkins School of Theology
Wilson, J. F.	North Little Rock	Rose City, NLR

MINUTES NORTH ARKANSAS CONFERENCE

ON TRIAL

Class of the Second Year

Name	Address	Appointment
Beal, James W.	SMU, Dallas 5, Tex.	Perkins School of Theology
Byrum, J. Hillmon	SMU, Dallas 5, Tex.	Perkins School of Theology
Clemons, James	22nd and Poplar, NLR	First Church, NLR, Asso.
Dark, Dewey, Jr.	Emory Univ., Ga.	Candler School of Theology
Davis, Lamar	SMU, Dallas 5, Tex.	Perkins School of Theology
Davis, Paul Dean	SMU, Dallas 5, Tex.	Perkins School of Theology
Gibson, Worth W.	Gentry	Gentry
Grisham, Cecil W.	Emory Univ., Ga.	Candler School of Theology
Hughes, Earl	Route 1, Ft. Smith	Massard
Jones, Frank Alfred	SMU, Dallas 5, Tex.	Perkins School of Theology
Kleebe, George	Perry	Perry-Perryville
Lawson, Arvest	Duke Univ., Durham, N. C.	Duke Divinity School
Martin, Albert W., Jr.	Green Forest	Green Forest
Meadors, James	SMU, Dallas 5, Tex.	Perkins School of Theology
Moyers, Roy	SMU, Dallas 5, Tex.	Perkins School of Theology
Nations, Thomas J.	SMU, Dallas 5, Tex.	Perkins School of Theology
Paysinger, Vernon	SMU, Dallas 5, Tex.	Perkins School of Theology
Richardson, Thomas E.	SMU, Dallas 5, Tex.	Perkins School of Theology
Robison, H. L.	Hoxie	Hoxie
Roetzell, Calvin	SMU, Dallas 5, Tex.	Perkins School of Theology
Webb, Maurice C.	SMU, Dallas 5, Tex.	Perkins School of Theology
Simpson, Robert A.	Imboden	Imboden

Class of the First Year

Barrett, John	Lake City	Lake City-Lake View
Black, Joe Glenn	SMU, Dallas 5, Tex.	Perkins School of Theology
Brockway, Allen E.	SMU, Dallas 5, Tex.	Perkins School of Theology
Douglas, Willard L.	SMU, Dallas 5, Tex.	Perkins School of Theology
Edwards, Bobby S.	SMU, Dallas 5, Tex.	Perkins School of Theology
Gibbs, Alvin	Route 1, Paragould	Paragould East Parish
Harl, Willis	Mansfield	Mansfield
Johnson, W. T.	SMU, Dallas 5, Tex.	Perkins School of Theology
Pollard, M. J.	Bono	Bono Circuit
Smith, Donald W.	SMU, Dallas 5, Tex.	Perkins School of Theology
Weatherford, Frank	Kensett	Kensett
Wilson, Harold	Conway	Conway, Wesley

APPROVED SUPPLIES SERVING CHARGES

Batesville District

Abee, Walter	Desha	Desha-Salado
Anderson, Vernon	McHue	McHue-Concord
Love, T. O.	Charlotte	Charlotte Ct.
Olson, O. E.	Bull Shoals	Bull Shoals
Parmenter, T. B.	Bethesda	Bethesda-Cushman
Stevens, Burnell	Pleasant Plains	Pleasant Plains Ct.
Strayhorn, Carl	Evening Shade	Evening Shade Ct.
Strayhorn, Otho	Viola	Viola Ct.
Wilson, Ivan R.	Cave City	Cave City Ct.

Conway District

Bilberry, Davis	Hendrix College, Conway	Fourche Valley Ct.
Conner, W. G.	Conway	Bethel-Cato
Cook, Charles	Route 1, Vilonia	Naylor Ct.
Flower, E. F.	Ola	Ola Ct.
Gatlin, James	Conway	Salem
Graham, Doyne	Hendrix College, Conway	Morrilton Ct. No. 2
Harris, Robert	Hendrix College, Conway	Perry Co. Ct.
Hilton, Gerald	Hendrix College, Conway	Mt. Carmel
Holman, W. B.	Box 6, Levy, NLR	Beacon
Johnson, Robert	Plumerville	Plumerville
Kitchens, J. M.	Waltreak	Waltreak Ct.
Linam, Joe E.	Hendrix College, Conway	Vilonia Ct.
Rushing, Eugene	Oppello	Oppello
Sooter, Edwin	Dardanelle	Dardanelle Ct.
Sawell, James H.	Hendrix, Conway	Greenbrier Circuit
Thompson, Fred	Belleville	Belleville-Havana
Thompson, Mrs. Fred	Belleville	Belleville-Havana, Asso.
Walthal, W. V.	Plainview	Plainview
Yarbrough, William	Hendrix, Conway	Morrilton Circuit No. 2

Fayetteville Circuit

Name	Address	Appointment
Findley, O. R.	Pea Ridge	Pea Ridge
Hatfield, Kenneth	Centerton	Centerton
Hutton, W. C.	Bentonville	Bentonville Circuit
Langston, L. L.	St. Paul	Madison County No. 2
Laster, C. S.	Alpena	Alpena-Omaha
Miser, Eugene	Winslow	Winslow
Pennel, Walter	Cane Hill	Cane Hill
Walters, Charles	Route 3, Prairie Grove	Viney Grove-Cincinnati
Winkler, Eugene	Route 1, Gentry	Springtown-Highfill

Forrest City District

McIvvene, A. E.	Aubrey	Aubrey
Peterson, A. L.	Vannale	Vannale
Stegall, W. M.	Colt	Colt

Ft. Smith District

Barling, Aaron	Hartman	Hartman-Spadra
Clinesmith, Troy	Alix	Alix Circuit
Hainsey, Virgil	Altus	Altus Circuit
Holland, Felix	Van Buren	City Heights, Van Buren
Keel, Waymon	Waldron	Waldron Circuit
Poyner, Roy	2104 S. Knoxville, Ft. Smith	Glover Memorial, Ft. Smith
Rolland, Lindsey	Lamar	Lamar
Sandage, John W.	Magazine	Magazine
Scott, Mrs. Monroe	Hackett	Hackett Ct.
Thomas, J. E.	Lavaca	Lavaca
Watson, W. T.	Route 3, Van Buren	New Hope-Mt. View

Jonesboro District

Blair, Alfred	Brookland	Brookland
Holt, Charles R.	907 Huntington, Jonesboro	Mt. Carmel
Richardson, J. H.	2200 Carylyn, Blytheville	Blytheville, Wesley
VanCleve, Benny	Delfore	Delfore-Macey
West, Hascle O.	Black Oak	Black Oak

Paragould District

Anderson, Lee	Leonard	Leonard Circuit
Anderson, Mrs. Lee	Leonard	Leonard Ct., Asso.
Evans, Gus	Boydsville	Boydsville
Johnson, D. Kern	St. Francis	St. Francis
Poindexter, A. E.	Route 4, Paragould	Lorado Ct.
Smith, James G.	RFD, Paragould	Beech Grove
Smitherman, Dave	Rector	Rector Circuit
Whitehurst, Y. D.	Rector	Rector, Fourth Street
Wilson, Leon	Route 4, Paragould	Stanford

Searcy District

Chapman, John	Rosebud	Rosebud Circuit
Cowan, Tom J.	Scotland	Scotland Ct.
Edwards, Ray	Griffithville	Griffithville Ct.
Faith, Marvin D.	Quitman	Quitman
Harrison, Cecil	Pangburn	Pangburn Ct.
Kennedy, Dois	Hendrix Station, Conway	Damascus
Russell, Silas	McRae	McRae Extension
Shoemaker, Eugene	Hendrix, Coway	Deview Circuit
Short, M. B.	Jasper	Newton County
Talkington, J. M.	Searcy	McRae Extension
Thompson, Marvin	Valley Springs	Valley Springs
Williams, Travis	Leslie	Leslie
Williamson, Carl	McRae	McRae
Wilson, Cyril	Hendrix, Conway	Antioch-Stony Point

LAY DELEGATES

The following lay delegates were registered as present for the sessions of the conference:

BATESVILLE DISTRICT

Pastoral Charge	Member	Pastoral Charge	Member
Batesville, First	Mrs. E. G. Kaetzell	Mountain View	H. E. Watson
Batesville, Central Ave.	John Moody	Newport, First	L. H. Beaumont
Bethesda-Cushman	Mrs. A. Haskens	Newport, Umstead	Mrs. Oscar Guin
Cotter	M. F. McNabb	Salem	V. H. Fletcher
Concord	B. A. Ward	Tuckerman	M. D. Harris
Evening Shade	J. F. Ray	Viola	Mrs. James Smith
Mountain Home Parish	Quinley Smith	Yellville	Fulton Patterson

CONWAY DISTRICT

Conway, First	W. T. Browning	Washington Ave.	J. F. Warden
No. Little Rock, 1st	Mrs. E. T. Wayland	Ola	David Jones
Gardner	W. C. Orne	Pottsville	Mrs. Lula Baker
Levy	N. A. McHughes	Russellville	W. A. Baldwin

FAYETTEVILLE DISTRICT

Bland's Chapel	Mrs. Lindsey Rolland	Green Forest	Boyd W. Johnson
Bentonville	Tom L. Harrison	Lincoln	W. A. Tittle
Bentonville Circuit	Mrs. W. C. Hutton	Madison Co. No. 2	Mrs. L. L. Langston
Brightwater	Miss Irene Cook	Pea Ridge	Max Walker
Centerton	Mrs. Kenneth Hatfield	Prairie Grove	Dr. W. H. Mock
Eureka Springs	James M. Perkins	Rogers	A. M. Sherrell
Farmington-Rhea	Mrs. A. L. Riggs		

FORREST CITY DISTRICT

Brinkley	W. S. Brown	Marion	John Stephens
Cherry Valley	Mrs. Noel Morris	Marianna	G. B. Markham
Crawfordsville	Cliff Britton	Marvell	Mrs. J. W. Brown
Earle	Marvin E. Bird	Parkin	Mrs. H. F. McDonal
Elaine	E. Clay Bumpers	Wynne	Buddy Murray
Helena	Ben Laney		

FORT SMITH DISTRICT

Booneville	Mrs. W. T. Bacon	Greenwood	Allen Maestri
Alma-Mt. View	Mrs. T. C. Chambliss	Hackett	Monroe Scott
Clarksville	Leslie Bryant	Mansfield	I. L. Carter
Ft. Smith, First	Osgood Pitts	Ozark	Claud Russell
Grand Avenue	Mrs. George Lemmon	Prairie View Ct.	Mrs. Virgil M. Hainsey
Goddard Memorial	R. W. Lynch	Van Buren, First	J. Y. Dollar
Midland Heights	Fred Newman	City Heights-Bethel	Mrs. Felix Holland

JONESBORO DISTRICT

Black Oak-Delfore	Mrs. Etta Strickland	Luxora	Leroy Brownlee
Blytheville, First	R. A. Nelson	Manila	D. B. Osborne
Wesley	Joe Van Cleve	Marked Tree	E. M. Calvert
Bono Circuit	D. C. Williams	Monette	Clyde Evans
Joiner	L. E. Speck	Nettleton	Gerald Watkins
Jonesboro, First	Charles Stuck	Weiner	Thomas L. Wofford
Huntington	I. L. Horton	Weona-Center View	W. R. Payne
Fisher Street	Mrs. Dewitt Haynes	Yarbro-Promised Land	
Lepanto	Mrs. G. E. Deyerle		Mrs. Monroe Besharese

PARAGOULD DISTRICT

Brookland	John Hout	Griffin Memorial	D. E. Carmack
Marmaduke	Mrs. G. D. Hammett	Piggott	Charles Smart
Paragould, First	Ross Ford	Pocahontas	Mrs. Everett Bates

SEARCY DISTRICT

Antioch-Stony Point	A. V. Pruitt	Kensett	Dr. J. W. Cotner
Bald Knob	Mrs. C. C. Honeycutt	Leslie	Mrs. Edd Mays
Beebe	V. C. White	McCrory	Curtis Houston
Cabot	Earl Cherry	McRae Ct.	Marvin D. Faith
DeVew	Lee Douglas	Searcy	J. H. Wiseman
Harrison	Floyd Rogers	Valley Springs	R. E. Kellogg
Heber Springs	Victor Dickson	Van Buren Co. No. 1	Lester Hutchins
Jacksonville	A. F. Crowell	Van Buren Co. No. 2	Miss Ruth Hall

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FIRST DAY — AFTERNOON SESSION

June 16, 1954

Opening: The One Hundred Nineteenth Session of The North Arkansas Conference of The Methodist Church convened in the First Methodist Church, Batesville, June 16, 1954 at 1:30 p. m. with Bishop Paul E. Martin presiding. Hymn No. 402, "And Are We Yet Alive" was sung. C. N. Guice led the opening prayer. R. E. Connell, on behalf of The Planning Committee moved that the printed schedule be the agenda of the conference and this was voted.

Roll: The roll was taken by Alf A. Eason indicating that there were present for the conference 216 clerical members and 86 lay delegates. The secretary of the conference nominated the following to serve as his staff for the conference: Alf A. Eason, Charles P. McDonald, Jr., O. D. Peters, and Harold D. Womack.

Nominations: Robert E. L. Bearden, secretary of the cabinet, made the following nominations: TRUSTEES OF THE ANNUAL CONFERENCE: Terms to expire 1957 — W. A. Downum, Earl Kirk, and Jeff D. Brown; BOARD OF CHRISTIAN LITERATURE: Van W. Harrell to succeed Guy C. Ames; ARKANSAS HISTORICAL COMMISSION: William Harkey to succeed James W. Workman, Jr., RADIO AND FILM COMMISSION: Charles Lewis to succeed James W. Workman, Jr., COMMITTEE ON THE AMERICAN BIBLE SOCIETY: Mitchel Sanford in place of Robert McMaster; COMMITTEE ON GROUP INSURANCE: S. B. Wilford in the place of J. Albert Gatlin; COMMITTEE ON INVESTIGATIONS: (nominated by Bishop Martin) Lloyd Conyers, D. G. Hindman, Floyd Villines, Jr., S. O. Patty, H. Lynn Wade, **Reserves:** N. Lee Cate, Charles Wyatt, Elvis Wright; COMMITTEE ON LAY SPEAKING: J. Albert Gatlin in place of W. F. Cooley; COMMITTEE ON CONFERENCE RELATIONS: Terms to expire 1957 — S. O. Patty, H. F. McDonald, and O. M. Campbell; BOARD OF SOCIAL AND ECONOMIC RELATIONS: Ewing Wayland, W. D. Murphy, Jr., Mrs. Ed Kaetzell, G. B. Ames, Charles P. McDonald, Jr., W. Henry Goodloe, Wayne White and James S. Upton; COURTESY COMMITTEE: R. E. Connell, Ed Kaetzell, David Conyers, and B. W. Stallcup; RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE: Golder Lawrence, Edwin Dodson, Ed Gordon, and Mrs. Walter Jimerson; COMMITTEE ON THE JOURNAL: Edwin Dodson, Earl Hughes, and Charles Lewis; COMMITTEE ON WORLD PEACE: (additions) Ethan W. Dodgen, Mrs. E. H. Hook, Miss Ethel Millar and Mrs. Donald McCluney; COMMITTEE ON EPISCOPAL RESIDENCE: Rod Rice, J. Frank Warden and J. William Watson.

Charles Stuck, Conference Lay Leader, nominated his district lay leaders and associates, and they were elected by the conference.

Host Church Greetings: E. G. Kaetzell, host pastor, was presented and he proposed that the bar of the conference be established as the lower floor of the sanctuary. William P. Connell and James Fleming escorted Mrs. Paul E. Martin forward to be presented to the members of the conference. Mayor Roy Row of Batesville presented Bishop Martin with the keys of the city. W. D. Murphy, Jr., extended words of welcome from the host church and Bishop Martin responded.

Pension Representative: J. Wilson Crichlow of the Board of Pensions was presented to the conference and he spoke relative to the program of the church in this field.

Service of Commemoration: Benjamin C. Few presided for the service of commemoration. Hymn No. 372 was sung. The scripture lesson from the fourteenth chapter of John was read by Brother Few. The list of those who have died during the year was read by C. C. Burton, as

follows: **Ministers:** W. F. Cooley, George A. Freeman, George E. Patchell, James T. Willcox, and Robert E. Wilson; **Ministers' Wives:** Mrs. L. W. Fair, Mrs. A. W. Martin, Mrs. J. R. Nelson, Mrs. William Sherman, and Mrs. E. J. Slaughter. Ethan W. Dodgen delivered the message of commemoration on the theme: "Life is Eternal" After the singing of The Doxology, Bishop Martin led in the service of The Lord's Supper, assisted by the members of the cabinet and the host pastor. A communion offering was taken for mission work.

SECOND DAY — MORNING SESSION

June 17, 1954

Devotional: The conference opened at 8:30 a. m. with Bishop Paul E. Martin presiding. The Hymn No. 382, "Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken" was sung. The morning prayer was led by John A. Womack. Fred G. Roebuck spoke to the conference on his trip to the Holy Land using as his subject: "Where the Saints Have Trod." Hymn No. 227, "Come, We That Love The Lord" was sung.

Journal: Edwin B. Dodson reported for the Committee on Journal the minutes of the first day's session had been read and approved.

Communications: Bishop Martin reported that communications had been received from Grover C. Johnson, Guy C. Murphy, Lester Weaver, Lyman T. Barger and LeRoy Henry, and the secretary was instructed to reply for the conference.

District Superintendents' Report: Robert E. L. Bearden, secretary of the cabinet read the following report from the District Superintendents:

"The Methodist Church is completing with this conference, one hundred and eighteen years of service in Arkansas. Established pastoral charges were in full service before Arkansas became a territory and the Arkansas Conference was organized in this city within the same year that Arkansas was admitted into the union. We feel, therefore, that this is an historic session and that there hovers over us here today the spirits of those noble servants of God who builded our house of faith; Burwell Lee, Robert Gregory, Fountain Brown, Andrew Hunter, and Bishop Thomas A. Morris. In that year, 1836, there were 2465 members of the church in the state and 36 ministers. Bishop Morris came from the session of the Tennessee Conference at Columbus directly to Batesville, traveling on horseback and bringing with him five young transfer ministers, arriving here on November 6, 1836.

In the span of these years since that memorable week many things have come to the church in Arkansas. There have been difficult and near-futile years, but there have been far more in which God's grace has labored with man's devotion to bring rich blessings to thousands of people.

Critical needs and problems amounting almost to crisis have been faced. The church has always had many difficulties with which it wrestles both within itself and in the secular society, but it is likely that the church has never faced more critical circumstances than it does today. Our brethren of those long gone years would be amazed by the involved and varied program of this conference. But "new occasions teach new duties" and all the areas of church life mentioned below are vital and give further evidence that the church is making every effort to meet the varying needs of contemporary life.

6293 persons have been received into the churches of the North Arkansas Conference during this conference year, 2695 on profession of faith, 2987 by transfer of church letter, and 611 from other denominations. Church rolls are being cleared and brought up to date, which means that the total membership registers a decrease, but this procedure will serve to make our records accurate and the loss in membership, it is well to note, is more statistical than actual. Our total membership reported at this conference is 97,523, a loss of 1726 from last year.

In the church school membership shows an increase over last year of 1773, for a total of 69,202, and the average attendance at church school has increased 1404 over last year, the total average being 25,303. 10,059 were enrolled in Vacation Church Schools.

The Woman's Society of Christian Service reports 282 organizations with a total membership of 14,222. \$72,426 was sent to the conference and \$12,448 was raised for local work.

In matters of finance, the church has registered steady progress in past years. We rejoice in this, not for its temporal value, but because stewardship is a vital part of the Christian life. During this conference year, \$147,015 was paid to World Service, an increase of \$3,408 over last year. \$685,696 was paid for improvement and building of churches.

Among the special emphases this year, we have considered the Hendrix Endowment Campaign of particular importance. In this effort, \$50,-816 was raised this year. In the Advance Special program, exclusive of conference-initiated specials, \$20,353 was raised as against \$14,670 last year. Other special offerings are not included in this report, but it is worthy to note that the church has shared in all of these, with increases in all but three, Race Relations, Week of Dedication, and World-wide Communion offering.

The evaluation of church buildings, equipment and land reported this year was \$12,987,654 an increase of \$1,099,236 over last year. The evaluation of parsonages, furnishings, and land was \$1,792,146, an increase of \$22,336. The total raised for all purposes this year was \$2,925,647.

We are grateful for all these evidences of advancement in the Kingdom and regard them not as the work of man's hand, but of God's guidance and grace, which have enabled us to accomplish these tasks in His name.

District Superintendents of the North Arkansas Conference
Respectfully submitted,
Robert E. L. Bearden, Secretary

Board of Education: The chairman of the Board of Education, Roy I. Bagley, presented the report, which was read by the secretary, George Stewart, who moved its adoption. Ira A. Brumley, spoke to the Report No. 1 was adopted. Dr. Matt L. Ellis, president of Hendrix College, spoke to Report No. 2, reading the current report on contributions to the Endowment Campaign. He expressed his appreciation for the work Dr. C. M. Reves, vice-president of Hendrix College is doing. Dr. John O. Gross, Executive Secretary of the Division of Educational Institutions of the General Board of Education, spoke to Report No. 2. Report No. 2 was adopted.

Introductions: Bishop Martin presented Dr. Willis Tate, newly elected president of Southern Methodist University to the conference, and he spoke briefly.

Publishing House Check: Joe Rogers, of the Kansas City Branch of The Publishing House was introduced and he presented a check for \$5,-127.51, as the share of our conference in the proceeds from the Publishing House. The check was presented by Bishop Martin to the Board of Conference Claimants.

Token: Bishop Martin exhibited to the conference a silver chalice which had come to him and Mrs. Martin as a gift from Dr. and Mrs. Paul V. Galloway of Boston Avenue Methodist Church, Tulsa. He commented that it had special meaning for him since it was ten years ago that he was elected and consecrated bishop in that church.

Town and Country Commission: The report of the Town and Country Commission was presented by Floyd G. Villines, Jr., after having been read by David Conyers, secretary of the commission. Those speaking to the report included: Ken Estes, Conway; Lee Hays, Beebe; J. Albert Gat-

lin, retiring executive secretary, and A. N. Storey, incoming executive secretary. The report was adopted.

There was a brief intermission after which the conference sang the hymn, "My Faith Looks Up To Thee."

Crusade Scholar: Bishop Martin presented to the conference, G. B. Ezekiel, Crusade Scholar from India, who addressed the conference, expressing appreciation to The Methodist Church for providing his scholarship.

Boards of Hospitals and Homes: Earle Cravens, the board chairman presented the report of his board. Report No. 1 was read by Byron McSpadden, secretary of the board, who moved its adoption. T. T. McNeal, superintendent of the Arkansas Methodist Children's Home, spoke to the report. It was adopted. Report No. 2, dealing with the building campaign for the Methodist Hospital at Memphis was read by the board chairman. Leslie Stratton of Memphis, chairman of the Board of Trustees of the Hospital spoke to the report. J. C. Crews, Administrator of the Hospital presented the members of the Board of Trustees from our conference, all of whom were present—Hubert E. Pearce, John A. Womack, J. Frank Fogelman, James H. Crain, H. K. Barwick, Jr., and Mrs. Tom Tucker.

The following spoke to Report No. 2 — Ira A. Brumley, Hubert Pearce, James Chandler, Leslie Bryant, Bates Sturdy, A. W. Martin, E. B. Williams, O. R. Findley, H. C. Couchman, D. L. Dykes, Jr., and Ray McLester. W. F. O'Donnell, chaplain of the hospital spoke to the report. The chairman, Brother Cravens, asked Harold Eggensperger, Chairman of the Commission on World Service and Finance to make a statement concerning this report. He in turn called upon Harold D. Womack, who read a statement from the Board of Conference Claimants.

W. Henry Goodloe spoke to Report No. 2 and it was adopted, after an amendment by E. H. Hook had been accepted by the board and incorporated in Report No. 2.

Standing Rule Change: Elmo Thomasson, secretary of the Commission on World Service and Finance presented the following resolution from that group:

"Be it resolved that Standing Rule No. 2, which reads: 'That the Conference Treasurer be paid a salary of \$325 per month and such allowance for necessary office supplies and help as shall be approved by the executive committee of the Commission on World Service and Finance' be deleted from the Standing Rules of our conference"

Under the rules for changing a standing rule, this resolution must lie on the table for twenty-four hours.

Visitors: Bishop Martin presented the following visitors to the conference: Dr. and Mrs. Paul Womeldorf, Executive Secretary of the South Central Jurisdiction; Dr. George Robinson, from the General Board of Temperance, and Edwin Keith of Little Rock.

Passage of Character: S. O. Patty, Chairman of the Committee on Conference Relations, reported that he had been before the cabinet and that there the characters of all the preachers had been passed.

The morning session adjourned at 12:30 with the benediction given by Edwin Keith.

SECOND DAY — AFTERNOON SESSION

June 17, 1954

The afternoon session of the conference opened at 2:30 p. m. with C. M. Reves in the chair. Hymn No. 242 was sung after which the conference joined in The Lord's Prayer.

World Peace: The report of the Committee on World Peace was pre-

sented by the chairman, Golder Lawrence, with the secretary, Thurston Masters, reading the report. The report was adopted.

American Bible Society: Bates Sturdy chairman of the committee for The American Bible Society read the report of this committee, after which George McGehey and Dr. Will Mock spoke to the report. The report was adopted.

Bates Sturdy reported to the conference on his work as Methodist chaplain at the State Sanitorium at Booneville.

Temperance: Thomas R. Whiddon, secretary, read the report of the Board of Temperance. Raymond Dorman the chairman spoke to the report and introduced Clyde Coulter of the Arkansas Temperance League who spoke, especially emphasizing the need for expressing support for the bills pending in Congress to outlaw interstate advertising of alcoholic beverages. The resolution to send a message to congress in support of this bill was adopted and made a part of the board's report.

Christian Literature: W. M. Womack, secretary, read the report of the Board of Christian Literature and filed the report of the Joint Commission for the Arkansas-Louisiana Methodist. Robert Sessions, chairman of the committee, presented Miss Georgia Daly who spoke on Methodist Information and Dr. E. T. Wayland who spoke in the interest of The Arkansas Methodist. Report No. 1 was adopted. R. P. Sessions read Report No. 2 which was adopted.

THIRD DAY — MORNING SESSION

June 18, 1954

Devotional: Conference opened at 8:30 a. m. with Bishop Paul E. Martin presiding. Hymn No. 315 was sung. The morning prayer was led by Arthur Terry of Pine Bluff. Fred G. Roebuck again led the morning devotions, continuing to tell of his trip to the Middle East and the Holy Land. Hymn No. 220 was sung. Bishop Martin dedicated John Wesley Remaley, son of Rev. and Mrs. D. P. Remaley.

Journal: Earl Hughes reported for the Committee on Journal that the minutes of yesterday's sessions had been examined and found to be in order.

Board of Ministerial Training: J. H. Hoggard, Chairman, and Lloyd M. Conyers, Registrar, presented the report of the Board of Ministerial Training, in the form of answers to the following questions:

WHO ARE RECEIVED ON TRIAL? Joe Glenn Black, Allen Reitz Brockway, Willard Lee Douglas, Bobby Shields Edwards, Alvin Eugene Gibbs, Willis Herbert Harl, Marion James Pollard, Donald William Smith, Frank Carter Weatherford, and David Harold Wilson.

WHO ARE CONTINUED ON TRIAL? In studies of the First Year: John Huston Barrett and William Troy Johnson. Advanced to Class of the Second Year: Joseph Hillman Byrum, James Lamar Davis, Albert Woodrow Gibbs, Cecil Wesley Grisham, George John Kleeb, James Marvin Meadors, William Roy Moyer, Thomas Jackson Nations, Vernon Horace Paysinger, Thomas Earle Richardson, H. L. Robison, Maurice Clive Webb; Continued in Class of the Second Year: James W. Beal, Dewey Dark, Jr., Paul Dean Davis, Frank Alfred Jones, Calvin Junior Roetzell; Exempt from studies under the Seminary Rule: James Thomas Clemons, Leo Tim Fong, Earl Hughes, Arvest Neal Lawson, Robert A. Simpson, Albert William Martin, Jr., and Worth Wesley Grisham.

WHAT MEMBERS ON TRIAL ARE DISCONTINUED: O. Wendell Barbaree, at his own request; Walter C. Johnson, at his own request, and Stanley Reed, at his own request.

Who Are Elected to Deacon's Orders? Ray Hamilton Edwards, Kenneth Ira Hatfield, Thelbert Bennie Parmenter, Walter Alexander Abee, Gail Gourley Anderson, William Ray Burrow, William Leonard Byers,

Dewey Dark, Jr., James Lamar Davis, William Cline Hightower, Paul Kelley, James Marvin Meadors, Thomas Earle Richardson, Burlus Wesley Stallcup, Maurice Clive Webb, John Floyd Wilson, and Vernon Horace Paysinger.

Who Are Received Into Full Connection? Gail Gourley Anderson, William Leonard Byers, William Ray Burrow, William Pierce Connell, William Cline Hightower, Gerald Dewey Hammett, Harvey Ebernezer Hazelwood, Paul Kelley, Marvest Arvadeen Lawson, Thomas Frederick Mooring, Burlus Wesley Stallcup, Willie Lilburn Walker, John Floyd Wilson, and Jack Stroud Winegeart.

What Full Members Are In The Course Of Study? In Class of the Third Year: Gail Gourley Anderson, William Leonard Byers, William Ray Burrow, William Cline Hightower, Paul Kelley, Thomas Frederick Mooring, Kenneth Frederick Renfro, Burlus Wesley Stallcup, John Floyd Wilson, Willie Lilburn Walker; In the Class of the Fourth Year: George Wayne Martin, Aubra Olin Hays, and Marvest Arvadeen Lawson.

What Full Members Have Failed To Complete Their Studies? In Class of the Third Year: Kenneth Renfro.

What Full Members Have Completed Their Studies? G. B. Ames, Arvill Brannon, Earl Carter, Edward Coley, James Fleming, Gerald Dewey Hammett, Harvey Hazelwood, Robert B. Howerton, M. L. Kaylor, William Paul Lanier, Norris Steele, John Sparks Workman, William Pierce Connell, Jack Stroud Winegeart and Elvis D. Wright.

Who Are Elected To Elders Orders? Albert Lee Anderson, Mary Ella Anderson, John Henry Richardson, James Elzy Thomas, Carl Vinson Strayhorn, Elvis D. Wright, William Pierce Connell, James Travis Fleming, Robert Buchanan Howerton, Gerald Dewey Hammett, Harvey Ebernezer Hazelwood, Jack Stroud Winegeart, John Sparks Workman, and Marvest Arvadeen Lawson.

Who Have Been Received From Other Denominations And The Orders Recognized: Edwin Forrest Flower, an elder, from the Cumberland Presbyterian Church.

Who Are The Approved Supply Pastors? (Approved supplies who are ordained Elders) Lee Anderson, Mrs. Lee Anderson, O. R. Findley, Felix Holland, W. C. Hutton, L. L. Langston, Mrs. E. J. Reaves, John Henry Richardson, John W. Sandage, M. B. Short, James H. Smith, Carl Strayhorn, James Elzy Thomas, Fred M. Thompson, Mrs. Fred M. Thompson, W. T. Watson, Y. D. Whitehurst, Ivan R. Wilson. Approved Part-time Supplies: Walter Pennel, Silas Russell, and Ellsworth Watson. Approved Supplies taking the Course of Study: Gus Evans, Virgil Hainsey, W. B. Homan, Estes A. Poindexter, Burnell Stephens, Charles Herman Walters, T. Owen Love, Maurice Kemp, pending completion of Admissions Course, Leon Wilson, pending completion of admissions course, Otho Strayhorn, pending completion of admissions course, Benny Joe Van Cleve, pending completion of admissions course; Second Year: Waymon Keel, Alvin E. McIlveene, Roy Eugene Poynor, Mrs. Monroe Scott, William Yarbrough; Third Year: Walter Abee, Ray Edwards, Kenneth Hatfield, and Lindsey Rolland; Fourth Year: D. Kern Johnson, W. G. Stegall, Dave Smitherman, Marvin A. Thompson, W. G. Conner, and T. B. Parmenter.

Approved Student Supplies: Davis Bilberry, Charles Cook, Elmo Knoch, Ernest Nipper, Eugene Rushing, Alfred Francis Blair, Aaron Floyd Barling, John Chapman, James Gatlin, Marvin Dean Faith, Gerald K. Hilton, Robert Johnson, Dois Kennedy, Joe Linam, Eugene Miser, Eugene Shoemaker, Edwin Sooter, Hascle West, Travis Williams, Carl Williamson, Cyril Wilson, Edwin Forrest Flower, Eugene Hobday Winkler, James Harold Sewell, and James Vernon Anderson. Approved Student Supplies, pending completion of Admissions Course: Robert Eugene Harris, Cecil Harrison, Frank M. Roop, James Linam, Charles Ray Holt and Thomas Frank Cooksey.

Sponsors For Classes: Bishop Martin designated James E. Major and H. Lynn Wade to present the class for ordination as deacons, and James Workman and D. L. Dykes, Jr., to present the class to be ordained elders.

Missions Reports: Mrs. E. G. Kaetzell, conference president of the Woman's Society of Christian Service, made her report to the conference. Vernon E. Chalfant, chairman of the Board of Missions, presented J. Ralph Hillis, secretary of the board who read Report No. 1. Golder Lawrence spoke to the report. Martin A. Bierbaum, spoke to the report. Glenn Sanford spoke to the report. The report was adopted.

Visitors: Bishop Martin presented the following visitors to the conference: former governor Ben Laney, who is a delegate from Helena, Dr. Arthur Terry, district superintendent of the Pine Bluff District, Dr. M. Lafayette Harris of Philander Smith College, Dr. and Mrs. Kenneth Shamblin of Pulaski Heights Church, Little Rock, and Rev. and Mrs. Rufus Sorrels of Malvern.

Presentation: W. Henry Goodloe presented Bishop Martin with a gavel made of wood from Shores Lake Camp in the Ft. Smith District by M. L. Edgington.

Bishop Watts In Chair: Bishop Martin asked Bishop H. Bascom Watts to take the chair of the conference. Bishop Watts spoke of his background in the bounds of this conference and this district, and used a gavel made of wood from the Pleasant Ridge Church, near Yellville.

Board of Evangelism: John Bayliss, Chairman, and Edwin B. Dodson, secretary, presented the report of the Board of Evangelism. Paul M. Bumpers, conference secretary of evangelism, spoke to the report. The report was adopted.

Committee On Advance: Robert E. L. Bearden, Chairman of the Conference Committee on Advance made the report of this committee and it was adopted.

Resolution Relative To Abandoned Property: Robert E. L. Bearden, secretary of the Cabinet, offered the following solution which was adopted unanimously by the conference:

"In accordance with Paragraph 188 of the 1952 Discipline, Be it Resolved, that the following churches be declared abandoned and the administration of the property of each be handled at the direction of the District Superintendent and the Board of Church Location and Building for the district in which each of the properties lie, and that in the event of a sale of any of the property, that the proceeds shall be administered within the district under the direction of the District Superintendent and the District Board of Church Location and Building:

ELNORA CHURCH, Paragould District; GOSNELL CHURCH, Jonesboro District; FOREST HOME CHURCH, Jonesboro District; HERMAN CHURCH, Jonesboro District; VICTORIA FUNDS CHURCH, Jonesboro District; PFEIFER LOT, Batesville District; MACEDONIA CHURCH, Conway District; RADCLIFF CHURCH, Ft. Smith District; KNOXVILLE CHURCH, Ft. Smith District; MT. ZION CHURCH, Paragould District; GRAVEL HILL CHURCH, Paragould District; BETHEL CHURCH, Paragould District; FLOODWAY CHURCH, Jonesboro District"

Respectfully submitted.

Robert E. L. Bearden

Philander Smith College: Dr. M. Lafayette Harris, president of Philander Smith College, Little Rock, spoke to the conference, expressing appreciation for the support the church has given the college.

Hour Of Youth Emphasis: Ira A. Brumley spoke of the special Youth Emphasis of the Quadrennium and presented George Wayne Martin, who addressed the conference on this theme. The report of the emphasis was adopted.

Stewardship Emphasis Hour: Charles A. Stuck, Conference Lay Leader presented the Stewardship Emphasis. Report No. 1 of the Board

of Lay Activities was read and adopted. C. O. Holland, of Minden, La., conference director of Stewardship for the Louisiana Conference, spoke on the program for the year. Nels Barnett, conference director of Stewardship for our conference spoke to the report. He presented Edwin Keith, of the Little Rock Conference who spoke to the report.

The session closed with the singing of The Doxology and the Benediction of Kenneth Shamblin.

THIRD DAY — AFTERNOON SESSION

June 18, 1954

OPENING: The afternoon session opened with E. T. Wayland presiding. Hymn No. 238, "Blessed Assurance" was sung. J. Kenneth Shamblin led in prayer.

LAY ACTIVITIES: Matt. Ellis, president of Hendrix College presented that section of the Report of Lay Activities which nominated Charles A. Stuck to be Conference Lay Leader. He was elected. Report No. 2 of the Board of Lay Activities was read by the conference Lay Leader, Mr. Stuck, and it adopted by the conference. Dr. Ellis, speaking on a matter of personal privilege, expressed the appreciation of the laymen of the conference for the fine work being done by the ministers of the conference.

DISTRICT CONFERENCE JOURNALS. J. W. Moore, chairman of the committee on District Conference Journals read the report of this group, and it was adopted by the conference.

HISTORICAL SOCIETY: William M. Wilder, Chairman of the Arkansas Methodist Historical Society, presented N. Lee Cate, secretary, who read the report, and it was adopted.

Rev. C. C. Neal of the C. M. E. Church spoke to the conference relative to his interests in Pine Bluff.

The conference session closed with the singing of Hymn No. 209, "Amazing Grace" and prayer by J. J. Decker.

THIRD DAY — EVENING SESSION

Ordination Service

June 18, 1954

ORDINATION SERVICE: The evening session opened with Bishop Paul E. Martin presiding as the official Service of Ordination was followed, with the following assisting: E. G. Kaetzell, R. E. Connell, W. Henry Goodloe, A. N. Storey, Robert E. L. Bearden, J. Albert Gatlin, Otto Teague, E. J. Holifield, and E. H. Hook. Bishop H. Bascom Watts preached the ordination sermon on the theme: "Seven Candles in a Candlestick." Bishop Martin spoke words of appreciation for the contribution made to our conference session by Bishop Watts.

DEACONS: James E. Major and H. Lynn Wade presented the following members of the class who were ordained Deacons by Bishop Martin, assisted by members of the cabinet: Walter Alexander Abee, Gail Gourley Anderson, William Ray Burrow, William Leonard Byers, James Lamar Davis, Ray Hamilton Edward, Kenneth Ira Hatfield, William Cline Hightower, Paul Kelley, James Marvin Meadors, Thelbert Bennie Parmenter, Vernon Horace Paysinger, Thomas Earle Richardson, Burlus Wesley Stallcup, Maurice Olive Webb, and John Floyd Wilson.

ELDERS: D. L. Dykes, Jr., and James W. Workman presented the following who were ordained Elders by Bishop Paul E. Martin, Bishop H. Bascom Watts, members of the cabinet, and certain elders invited by members of the class to participate in their individual ordination: Albert Lee Anderson, Mary Ella Anderson, William Pierce Connell, James Travis Fleming, Gerald Dewey Hammett, Harvey Ebernezer Hazlewood, Robert Buchanan Howerton, Marvest Arvadeen Lawson, John Henry

Richardson, Carl Vinson Strayhorn, James Elzy Thomas, Jack Stroud Winegeart, John Sparks Workman, Elvis D. Wright.

Bishop Martin pronounced the benediction.

FOURTH DAY — MORNING SESSION

June 19, 1954

DEVOTIONAL: The conference opened at 8:30 with Bishop Paul E. Martin presiding. Hymn No. 198, "Just As I Am" was sung. William Sherman led in prayer. The Responsive Reading and the morning meditation were led by Bishop Martin. Hymn No. 268, "Are Ye Able?" was sung.

DEDICATION: Bishop Martin dedicated Edith Diane Lanier, daughter of Rev. and Mrs. Paul Lanier, assisted by John Bayliss and J. Albert Gatlin.

JOURNAL: Charles Lewis reported for the Committee on Journal that the minutes of the previous day had been examined and that they were in order. It was moved by the conference secretary, seconded, and voted by the conference that the committee have authority to examine the minutes of the closing sessions of the conference and approve them without reporting back to the conference.

MT. SEQUOYAH: E. H. Hook reported on the work of Mt. Sequoyah. He also paid tribute to the ministers of the Fayetteville District for their fine co-operation during his period as acting district superintendent.

GROUP INSURANCE: N. Lee Cate, chairman of the Committee on Group Insurance, presented the secretary, Paul Lanier, who read the report no. 1 of the committee. This report, dealing with group life insurance was adopted. Report No. 2 dealing with a proposed program of hospital insurance was read. A. W. Martin offered an amendment which was accepted by the committee and made a part of the report. The following spoke to the report: E. B. Williams, Ira A. Brumley, Alvin Murray, E. H. Hook and Golder Lawrence. Report No. 2 was adopted.

CONFERENCE CLAIMANTS: Alf A. Eason offered a resolution affecting the service years of J. W. Workman, Mrs. G. G. Davidson, J. L. Shelby and J. O. Davis. The resolution will appear under "Personal Notation" in the "Business of the Annual Conference."

SOCIAL AND ECONOMIC RELATIONS: Ewing T. Wayland, chairman of this board presented Charles P. McDonald, Jr. who read the report of the newly organized Board of Social and Economic Relations. The following spoke to the report: Robert Sessions, Benjamin C. Few, James W. Workman, D. L. Dykes, Jr., Golder Lawrence, E. H. Hook. The report was adopted by a standing vote of the conference.

STATISTICIAN: The conference statistician, W. A. Stewart, Jr. presented his report in mimeographed form and read pertinent sections. Bishop Martin praised the fine work done this year by the conference statistician. The report was adopted.

TREASURER: P. E. Cooley, conference treasurer presented his report, which was adopted by the conference.

WHERE SHALL THE NEXT SESSION OF THE CONFERENCE BE HELD? This question was called by Bishop Martin. Ethan W. Dodgen, presented Oscar Melton of First Methodist Church, Jonesboro, who invited the conference to have its 1955 session there. There were no other invitations, and the conference voted unanimously to accept this one.

WORLD SERVICE AND FINANCE: Harold Eggensperger, chairman of the Commission on World Service and Finance presented the secretary of the Commission, Elmo Thomason, who read the report, after first calling for the vote on the resolution deleting Standing Rule No. 2. Since this matter had been lying on the table more than 24 hours, the vote was in order, and the conference voted to delete this standing rule. The report was adopted. Report No. 2 was read and adopted.

RESOLUTION: D. L. Dykes, Jr. offered the following resolution which was adopted by the conference:

"Resolved, that Bishop Paul E. Martin be asked to appoint a Committee to study the possibilities of a pre-conference session of all boards, commission, and agencies of the conference, and that their reports be submitted to the conference secretary for printing before the session of The Annual Conference opens."

MISSIONS: Report No. 2 of the Board of Missions was read by J. Ralph Hillis and adopted by the conference.

RETIREMENT: S. O. Patty, chairman of the Committee on Conference Relations reported for the committee recommending the retirement of the following, all for reasons of health: Coy E. Whitten, and Eric J. Reaves, conference members, and C. A. Simpson, approved supply pastor. Eric J. Reaves was the only one present and he spoke to the conference. A. N. Storey spoke for Coy E. Whitten who was unable to be present. Bishop Martin presented parchments to the men, and Harold D. Womack, secretary of the Board of Conference Claimants presented service pins from the board.

CONFERENCE CLAIMANTS: Alf A. Eason, Chairman, and Harold D. Womack, secretary of the Board of Conference Claimants presented the report of that board and it was adopted:

RESOLUTION ON SOCIAL SECURITY: S. B. Wilford presented the following resolution relative to social security:

"Inasmuch as it now seems highly probable that the present session of the national Congress will pass legislation making ministers eligible for the benefit of social security, be it resolved that Bishop Paul E. Martin be requested to set up a committee including a member of the cabinet, a member of the Board of Conference Claimants, a member of the Commission on World Service and Finance, and any others he may deem wise, to implement whatever Social Security legislation is passed in order that members of this conference may become participants as early as possible."

The resolution was adopted. Bishop Martin appointed the following committee: Chairman of the Board of Conference Claimants, Chairman of the Commission on World Service and Finance, and the Secretary of the cabinet.

S. B. Wilford moved that the conference vote authority for the appointment of Harry King to Arkansas College. This was voted.

QUESTION NO. 20: On motion of the conference secretary, it was voted to authorize the secretary to print in the Journal under Question No. 20 the list of approved supplies who are to receive credit for a full year of service for the last year.

Ira A. Brumley asked permission to submit the names of the conference staff after the reading of the appointments, and this authority was granted.

CO-ORDINATING COUNCIL: Paul M. Bumpers, chairman, and Floyd Villines, Jr. secretary, presented the report of the Co-ordinating Council, and it was adopted by the conference as the schedule for the conference year.

John F. Wilson, pastor of Rose City Church, spoke words of appreciation on behalf of his church for the first check received by any church from The Thousand Club.

Authority was voted on motion of Ira A. Brumley for the election of the District Boards of Church Location and Building, and of Ministerial Qualification, as the personnel will be read with the appointments.

CLOSING: The session adjourned with the singing of "The Doxology" and the benediction by Aubrey G. Walton. ;

FIFTH DAY — MORNING SESSION

June 20, 1954

Worship Service and Reading of Appointments

WORSHIP SERVICE: The conference met at 10:55 a.m. for the clos-

ing service of worship, with the host pastor, E. G. Kaetzell, leading the service. The following assisted in the morning service: R. E. Connell, W. Henry Goodloe, and Robert E. L. Bearden. Bishop Martin brought the morning message on the theme: "A Time for Immediate Decision."

RESOLUTIONS: Golder Lawrence, chairman of the Committee on Resolutions, presented the following report of the committee, which was adopted by the conference.

Bishop Martin, Members of the Conference and Members of the Host Churches, and Visiting Friends:

The Conference Committee on Resolutions respectfully presents the following tributes of appreciation as its report:

WHEREAS, by the grace and mercy of GOD, OUR FATHER, we "meet again and see each other's faces," and renew "the fellowship divine" as our sacred hymn so aptly "sings our joy," and,

WHEREAS, by the guidance of GOD, OUR FATHER, the host Churches of Batesville and the City Government and people of this "friendly city of the hills" were led of the spirit of hospitality and friendship to invite the North Arkansas Conference as guests for its 119th Session,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that:

I.

WE, the members of the conference and visiting friends, express our grateful thanks to GOD, OUR FATHER, for His grace and mercy and guidance which has led us to this happy experience of Conference Week in Batesville, Arkansas.

The gracious welcome of Mayor Roy Row and the presentation of "The Key of Hospitality" by the Mayor and the "Delegate Cards of Privilege" by Chief of Police Jim Mitchum, followed by the "Word of Welcome" of the Host Churches by Mr. W. D. Murphy, Jr., on behalf of Asbury, Moorefield, Central Avenue, and First Church, Batesville, assured us of our welcome and enjoyment of the week.

The delicate matter of room assignments of delegates, and the provision of comforts and conveniences for the conference and committee, commission and board sessions have been ably and satisfactorily handled by the Pastors and Staffs and Official Boards and Organizations of the host churches.

An especial word of appreciation should be paid to Mrs. J. P. McNealy, President of the Woman's Society of Christian Service of First Church, and to Mrs. Nels Barnett, and to Mrs. Larry Potter, Superintendent of the Youth Division of First Church, for their planning for our comfort: this honor and privilege they shared with Mrs. J. W. Yeager, Sr., President of Central Avenue WSCS, and with Mrs. Cleveland Foster, President of the WSCS of Asbury Church, and Mrs. Kinard Baker, President of the WSCS of Moorefield Church.

We recognize, however, and take note of the fact that without the desire and approval of the District Superintendent, the host pastors, and the official boards of the three Batesville churches, this session of our annual conference could not have been held in Batesville: and so to them—To Brothers Richard E. Connell, E. G. Kaetzell, David Conyers and B. W. Stallcup and their lovely wives, Minnie Lee Connell, Grace Kaetzell, president of the Conference Woman's Society of Christian Service, Mary Helen Conyers, and Verna Stallcup, and the members of the official boards of the host churches, we express our sincere thanks and appreciation for the invitation and gracious hospitality, and assume them all—that we have "found our stay a pleasant one and the people of Batesville most cordial."

THEREFORE to all the people of Batesville who have shared in the invitation and entertainment of this conference—including of course "the recommended eating places,"—we express our thanks and sincere appreciation.

II.

As for the Word of Appreciation of our Chief Ministers, the Bishops of our Conference, permit the inclusion of this tribute to our beloved Bishop and Mrs. Martin by our gracious and inspiring Conference Preacher Bishop H. Bascom Watts of Nebraska: Bishop Watts said,—

"When I was elected to this office Bishop Martin was presiding. I said to my wife, 'Of course I must be myself. I can only be Bascom Watts. But if I were to choose a bishop whose life, spirit and administration might be a model to me I would as soon be like Paul Martin as any I know.' I am now in a position where I do not have to say a bishop is great unless I want to. It say, therefore, that in my judgment he is one of the greatest bishops of our church. Great in brotherliness, in statesmanly qualities and preaching power. He has an influence in churchmanship that reaches far. Mrs. Martin is equally gracious and capable. In them you have leaders whom you follow with confidence."

—Third Day: Morning Session

To which tribute to our beloved leaders Bishop and Mrs. Martin we all would pen our names.

And to the Bishop-Preacher of the Conference, Bishop H. Bascom Watts, we would **RESOLVE** that:

We are deeply indebted to Bishop H. Bascom Watts, for his unique, compelling and vivid descriptions and illustrations which highlighted and anchored his dynamic messages of GOD'S HOLY TRUTH, in our minds and hearts. And, we thank Bishop Watts for his gracious spirit as he visited among us as "one of our native sons." As a conference we are proud to claim him "a native Arkansan."

We wish also to express appreciation and gratitude to the Connectional Representatives of our General Boards and Special Interests, and to the officers of the Conference and chairmen of the conference boards, commissions, and committees, for preparing and presenting the various causes, claims, and matters of business to come before the conference in such a way as to facilitate their consideration and dispatch.

And finally:

We would not be remiss in expressing our delight and joy in the worship services of the conference. The morning devotions led by our brother Dr. Fred G. Roebuck, we too under his guidance, "walked on holy ground;" and the choirs of the host churches, including the visiting choir of First Church, Newport, and their soloists; and the afternoon and evening worship services and the music of Mr. Lyndell Watkins, Organist of First Church, lifted us "above the cares of the day" on the "Wings of Music." And the lovely flowers, the gift of Lane's Florist Shop and the task of Mrs. O. J. T. Johnston, added beauty to the services.

And now, this climax worship service, and the end of our conference session. Your committee has not found suitable words to express the appreciation of the members of this conference and this congregation: Let the memory of this session and this hour of worship be one "for the Memory Book;" and may the Good GOD and Heavenly Father bless us all.

Respectfully presented,
THE COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS,
Golder Lawrence, Chairman
Edwin B. Dodson
Mrs. Walter Jimerson
Ed Gordon

APPOINTMENTS: Bishop Martin read the appointment of the ministers for the new year.

ADJOURNMENT: After the singing of Hymn No. 287, "A Charge to Keep I Have," Bishop Martin pronounced the benediction, and the conference adjourned sine die.

THE METHODIST CHURCH

THE BUSINESS OF THE ANNUAL CONFERENCE

The Minutes of the North Arkansas Annual Conference held in First Methodist Church, Batesville, Arkansas, from June 16, 1954, through June 20, 1954, Bishop Paul E. Martin presiding.

Part I. Organization and General Business

1. Who are elected for the quadrennium:
 Secretary? Alfred A. Knox, 1822 Dodson Avenue, Ft. Smith, Arkansas.
 Statistician? W. A. Stewart, Jr., Lepanto, Arkansas.
 Treasurer? P. E. Cooley, P. O. Box 26, Blytheville, Arkansas.
2. Is the Annual Conference incorporated? No.
3. a) What officers handling funds of the conference have been bonded, and in what amounts?
 1. P. E. Cooley, Conference Treasurer, \$75,000.00
 2. Harold D. Womack, Conference Claimants, \$25,000.00
 b) Have the books of said officers of persons been audited? Yes.
4. Have the boards, commissions, or committees been appointed or elected? (answer Yes or No):
 a) Board of Ministerial and Qualifications? Yes.
 b) Committee on Conference Relations? Yes.
 c) District Committees on Ministerial Qualifications? Yes.
 d) Committee of Investigation? Yes.
 e) District Boards of Location and Building? Yes.
 f) Board of Trustees of the Annual Conference? Yes.
 g) Conference Commission on World Service and Finance? Yes.
 h) Town and Country Commission? Yes.
 i) Conference Deaconess Board? Yes.
 j) Conference Board of Missions? Yes.
 k) Conference Board of Education? Yes.
 l) Conference Board of Temperance? Yes.
 m) Conference Board of Lay Activities? Yes.
 n) Conference Board of Hospitals and Homes? Yes.
 o) Conference Board of Evangelism? Yes.
 p) Board of Conference Claimants? Yes.
 q) Commission on Christian Vocations? Yes.
 r) Conference Woman's Society of Christian Service? Yes.
 s) Committee on Proportional Payment of Ministerial Support? Yes.
 t) Other committees, commissions, or boards? See Journal.
5. Have the secretaries, treasurers, and statisticians kept their respective records upon and according to the forms prescribed by The Methodist Church? Yes.
6. What are the reports of the district superintendents as to the status of the work within their districts? (See supplementary Report.) See Journal.
7. What is the schedule for minimum support for pastors? \$1500.00 for single students; \$1800.00 for married student; \$2100.00 for full-time single man; and \$2400.00 for full-time married man—plus \$25 for each dependent child under 18 years of age.
8. What is the plan and what are the approved claims for the support of the district superintendents for the ensuing year? All to be paid \$6,000.00 salary plus \$1800.00 expense. Each church paying an amount equal to 10% of pastor's salary.
9. What amount has been apportioned to the pastoral charges within the conference to be raised for the support of conference claimants? An amount equal to 16% of pastor's salaries. Plus individual payments by ministers.
10. What are the apportionments transmitted by the Council on

World Service and Finance to this conference:

- a) For World Service? \$73,117.00.
 - b) For Episcopal Fund? An amount equal to 2% of pastor's salaries.
 - c) For General Administration Fund? \$3,195.00.
 - d) For Interdenominational Cooperative Fund? \$2,556.00.
11. What amount is apportioned to this conference for the Jurisdictional Administration Fund? \$5,665.00.
 12. What are the reports, recommendations, and plans of the boards of the conference:
 - a) What is the report of the Board of Conference Claimants, and what appropriations for conference claimants are reported and approved? See Journal.
 - b) What is the report of the Conference Board of Missions of disbursements of missionary aid within the conference? See Journal.
 - c) What is the report of the Commission on World Service and Finance? See Journal.
 - d) What is the report of the Commission on Christian Vocations? See Journal.
 - e) What are the other reports? See Journal.
 13. What Methodist institutions or organizations are approved by the conference for annuity responsibility? None.
 14. What date is determined for Golden Cross enrollment? May 1-8, 1955.
 15.
 - a) Who is elected conference lay leader? Charles A. Stuck.
 - b) What is his report? See Journal.
 - c) Who are elected district and associate district lay leaders? BATESVILLE: Claude Irwin, Ed Sharp, W. W. Adams, H. H. Hunt and Dean Lindsey. CONWAY: P. K. Merrill, Dr. Matt L. Ellis, J. C. Moore, Ken Estes, and J. Frank Warden; FAYETTEVILLE: Howard Waggoner, Radus Rice, Ray O. Beck, and Dr. Will H. Mock; FT. SMITH: Melvin Dunn, John Taylor, R. W. Lynch, Clyde Hiatt, B. A. McConnell; FORREST CITY: Clay Bumpers, Marvin Bird, G. E. Dooley, and Elton A. Rieves; JONESBORO: Clyde Evans, Wayne Dent, Noble Gill and William L. Mann; PARAGOULD: J. A. Walden, E. R. Scurlock, Elbert Callahan, Henry Rainwater and Winfred Polk; SEARCY: Joe S. Pierce, Lester Hutchins, George Connell, Lee Hays, Lloyd Henly.
 16. Are all the ministerial members of the Conference blameless in their life and official administration? Yes.
 17. Who constitute the Conference Committee of Investigation? Lloyd Conyers, D. G. Hindman, E. J. Holifield, S. O. Patty, H. Lynn Wade. Reserves: N. Lee Cate, Charles Wyatt, and Elvis Wright.
 18. Who are the approved supply pastors? Lee Anderson, Mrs. Lee Anderson, Walter Abee, S. V. Anderson, Aaron Barling, Davis Bilberry, Alfred Blair, John Chapman, W. G. Conner, Charles Cook, Thomas Cooksey, Ray Edwards, Gus Evans, O. R. Findley, Marvin D. Faith, Edwin F. Flower, James Gatlin, Virgil Hainsey, Robert Harris, Cecil Harrison, Kenneth Hatfield, Gerald Hilton, Felix Holland, W. B. Holman, Charles R. Holt, W. C. Hutton, Kern Johnson, Robert Johnson, Waymon Keel, Maurice Kemp, Dois Kennedy, Elmo Knoch, L. L. Langston, James Linam, Joe Linam, T. O. Love, Eugene Miser, A. E. McIlveene, Ernest Nipper, T. B. Parmeter, Walter Pennel, Estes Poindexter, Roy Poynor, Mrs. E. J. Reaves, John H. Richardson, Lindsey Roland, Frank M. Roop, Eugene Rushing, Silas Russell, John W. Sandage, James H. Sewell, M. B. Short, Mrs. Monroe Scott, Eugene Shoemaker, James H. Smith, Dave Smitherman, Edwin Sooter, Burnell Stephens, Carl Strayhorn, Otho Strayhorn, W. G. Stegall, James Elzey Thomas, Fred M. Thompson, Marvin A. Thompson, W. T. Watson, Ellsworth Watson, Charles H. Walters, Hascle West, Benny Van Cleve, Y. D. Whitehurst, Travis Williams, Carl

Williamson, Leon Wilson, Eugene H. Winkler, Ivan R. Wilson, Cyril Wilson, William Yarbrough.

19. What approved supply pastors now under full-time appointment are taking the conference course of study:

a) In the first year? Gus Evans, Virgil Hainsey, W. B. Holman, Maurice Kemp, T. Owen Love, Estes A. Poindexter, Burnell Stephens, Otho Strayhorn, Benny VanCleve, Charles H. Walters, Leon Wilson.

b) In the second year? Waymon Keel, Alvin E. McIlveene, Roy E. Poynor, Mrs. Monroe Scott and William Yarbrough.

c) In the third year? Walter Abee, Ray Edwards, Kenneth Hatfield, Lindsey Roland.

d) In the fourth year? D. Kern Johnson, W. G. Stegall, Dave Smitherman, Marvin A. Thompson, W. G. Connor, and T. B.

Parmenter.

20. What approved supply pastors are credited with annuity claim on account of full-time service during the past year? Walter Abee, Carl B. Adams, Aaron Barling, Davis Bilberry, Alfred Blair, Allan Brockway, John Chapman, Troy Clinesmith, W. G. Conner, W. L. Douglas, Bobby Edwards, Ray Edwards, O. R. Findley, James Gatlin, Alvin Gibbs, Robert Harris, Cecil Harrison, Kenneth Hatfield, Gerald Hilton, Felix Holland, W. B. Holman, Charles R. Holt, W. C. Hutton, D. Kern Johnson, Robert Johnson, Waymon Keel, Dois Kennedy, J. M. Kitchens, L. L. Langston, Joe E. Linam, A. E. McIlveene, Eugene Miser, J. A. Newell, Walter Pennel, A. L. Peterson, A. E. Poindexter, M. J. Pollard, Roy Poynor, J. H. Richardson, Lindsey Roland, Frank M. Roop, Jr., Ralph Ruhlen, Eugene Rushing, Mrs. Monroe Scott, W. L. Scott, James H. Sewell, Eugene Shoemaker, M. B. Short, C. A. Simpson, Donald Smith, James Smith, Dave Smitherman, E. C. Sooter, William G. Stegall, Burnell Stephens, Carl Strayhorn, J. E. Thomas, Fred Thompson, Marvin A. Thompson, W. V. Waltham, W. T. Watson, Frank Weatherford Hascle O. West, Y. D. Whitehurst, Travis Williams, Carl Williamson, Eugene Winkler, Cyril Wilson, Harold Wilson, Iven R. Wilson, and William Yarbrough.

21. What preachers, coming from other churches, have had their orders recognized:

As local deacons? None

As local elders? Edwin F. Flower from Cumberland Presbyterian Church.

22. Who have been received from other churches as traveling preachers:

a) As members on trial: Deacons? None

Elders? None.

b) As members in full connection: Deacons? None.

Elders? None.

23. Who are received on trial:

a) In studies of the first year? Joe Glenn Black, Allen Reitz Brockway, Willard Lee Douglas, Bobby Shields Edwards, Alvin Eugene Gibbs, Willis Herbert Harl, Marion James Pollard, Donald William Smith, Frank Carter Weatherford, and David Harold Wilson.

b) In studies of the third year under the seminary rule? None.

c) Exempt from course of study under the seminary rule? None.

24. Who are continued on trial:

a) Continued in studies of the first year? John Huston Barrett and William Troy Johnson.

b) Advanced to studies of the second year? Joseph Hillman Byrum, James Lamar Davis, Albert Woodrow Gibbs, Cecil Wesley Grisham, George John Kleeb, John Marvin Meadors, William Roy Moyer, Thomas Jackson Nations, Vernon Horace Pay-singer, Thomas Earle Richardson, H. L. Robison, Maurice Olive Webb.

- c) Continued in studies of the second year? James W. Beal, Dewey Dark, Jr., Paul Dean Davis, Frank Alfred Jones, and Calvin Junior Roetzel.
- d) Exempt from course of study under the seminary rule? James Thomas Clemons, Leo Tim Fong, Earl Hughes, Arvest Neal Lawson, Robert A. Simpson, Albert William Martin, Jr., Worth Wesley Gibson.
25. Who on trial are discontinued? 1. O. Wendell Barbaree, at his own request. 2. Walter C. Johnson, at his own request. 3. Stanley Reed, at his own request.
26. Who are admitted into full connection? Gail Gourley Anderson, William Leonard Byers, William Ray Burrow, William Pierce Connell, William Cline Hightower, Gerald Dewey Hammett, Harvey Ebernezer Hazlewood, Paul Kelley, Marvest Arvadeen Lawson, Thomas Frederick Mooring, Burlus Wesley Stallcup, Willie Lilburn Walker, John Floyd Wilson and Jack Stroud Winegeart.
27. What full members are in studies:
Of the third year? Gail Gourley Anderson, William Leonard Byers, William Ray Burrow, William Cline Hightower, Paul Kelley, Thomas Frederick Mooring, Kenneth Frederick Renfro, Burlus Wesley Stallcup, John Floyd Wilson, and Willie Lilburn Walker.
b) Of the fourth year? George Wayne Martin, Aubra Olin Hays, and Marvest Arvadeen Lawson.
28. What full members have failed to complete the studies:
a) Of the third year? Kenneth Renfro.
b) Of the fourth year? None.
29. What full members have completed the studies of the fourth year? G. B. Ames, Arvill Brannon, Earl Carter, William P. Connell, Edward Coley, James T. Fleming, Gerald D. Hammett, Harvey Hazlewood, Robert B. Howerton, M. L. Kaylor, Paul Lanier, Norris Steele, John S. Workmon, Jack S. Winegeart, Elvis D. Wright.
30. Who have been elected deacons:
a) As local preachers? Ray Hamilton Edwards, Kenneth Ira Hatfield, Thelbert Bennie Parmeter, Walter Alexander Abee.
b) As members on trial in the course of study? Gail Gourley Anderson, William Ray Burrow, William Leonard Byers, Dewey Dark, Jr., William Cline Hightower, Paul Kelley, Burlus Wesley Stallcup, John Floyd Wilson.
c) Under the seminary rule? James Lamar Davis, James Marvin Meadors, Thomas Earle Richardson, Maurice Clive Webb, Vernon Horace Paysinger.
d) Under missionary rule? None.
31. Who have been ordained deacons? Walter Alexander Abee, Gail Gourley Anderson, William Ray Burrow, William Leonard Byers, James Lamar Davis, Ray Hamilton Edwards, Kenneth Ira Hatfield, William Cline Hightower, Paul Kelley, James Marvin Meadors, Vernon Horace Paysinger, Thelbert Bennie Parmenter, Thomas Earle Richardson, Burlus Wesley Stallcup, Maurice Clive Webb, John Floyd Wilson.
32. Who have been elected elders:
a) As local preachers? Albert Lee Anderson, Mary Ella Anderson, John Henry Richardson, Carl Vinson Strayhorn, and James Elzy Thomas.
b) As local deacons who have been received on trial? None.
c) As conference members in the course of study? Elvis D. Wright.
d) Under the seminary rule? William Pierce Connell, James Travis Fleming, Robert Buchanan Howerton, Gerald Dewey Hammett, Harvey Ebernezer Hazlewood, Jack Stroud Winegeart, and John Sparks Workman.
e) Under the missionary rule? Marvest Arvadeen Lawson.
33. Who have been ordained elders? Albert Lee Anderson, Mary

Ella Anderson, William Pierce Connell, James Travis Fleming, Robert Buchanan Howerton, Gerald Dewey Hammett, Harvey Ebernezer Hazlewood, John Henry Richardson, Carl Vinson Strayhorn, James Elzy Thomas, Jack Stroud Winegeart, John Sparks Workman, and Elvis D. Wright.

34. Relative to accommodation transfers for ordination and reception.

a) What members of this conference have been transferred out for purpose of ordination only:

(1) As deacons?
James R. Shelton North Texas Conf. 6-20-54

(2) As elders?
Charles Casteel Colorado Conference 6-20-54

b) Who have been transferred in, having been ordained elsewhere:

(1) As deacons?
James R. Shelton North Texas Conf. 6-20-54

(2) As elders?
Charles Casteel Colorado Conference 6-20-54

c) Who are transferred in and from what conferences, for purposes of ordination only, such ordination to be voted by this conference:

(1) As deacons?
None

(2) As elders?
None

d) Who have been ordained here, such ordination having been voted by another conference:

(1) As deacons?
None

(2) As elders?
None

e) Who have been transferred out, and to what conference, after ordination:

(1) As deacons?
None

(2) As elders?
None

f) Who have been received on trial at the request of another conference? None.

g) Who have been transferred out, having been received on trial, and to what conferences? None.

h) Who have been transferred in, to be received into full connection after election by another conference? None.

i) Who having been transferred out, having been received into full connection after election by another conference? None.

j) Who on trial have been transferred out, to be received into full connection by another conference? None.

k) Who have been transferred in after having been received into full connection by another conference? None.

35. Who are readmitted:

As deacons? None.

As elders? None.

36. Who have been received by transfer?

Name	Conference	Date
Sam Auslam	Cenral Texas	6-20-54
Charles Casteel	Colorado Conf.	6-20-54
J. A. Newell	Little Rock Conf.	6-20-54
Van W. Harrell	Little Rock Conf.	6-20-54
James R. Shelton	North Texas Conf.	6-20-54

37. Who have been transferred out?

Name	Conference	Date
Albert Gibbs	Little Rock	6-20-54
Guy C. Ames	Little Rock	6-20-54
Howard Cox	Little Rock	6-20-54
Leo Tim Fong	California-Nevada	6-20-54
Raymond M. Krutz	Illinois	6-20-54
Charles Casteel	Little Rock	6-20-54
James R. Shelton	North Texas	6-20-54
James W. Workman	Oregon	6-20-54

38. Who have had their conference membership terminated:

- a) By voluntary location? None.
- b) By involuntary location? None.
- c) By withdrawal? None.
- d) By judicial procedure (expelled)? None.

39.

- a) What ministerial members have died during the year? W. F. Cooley, George B. Patchell, James T. Willcoxon and Robert E. Wilson.

- b) What deaconesses have died during the year? None.

40. Who are the supernumerary ministers, and for what number of years consecutively has each held this relation?

None

41. Who are granted sabbatical leave? None.

42. What ministers have been retired:

- a) This year? Eric J. Reaves and Coy E. Whitten.

- b) Previously? S. N. Adams, W. W. Albright, R. A. Bevis, C. H. Bumpers, M. A. Cherry, Eli Craig, James B. Evans, L. W. Fair, E. W. Faulkner, J. J. Galloway, A. E. Goode, C. E. Gray, M. A. Graves, Norris Greer, C. N. Guice, J. W. Harger, C. E. Holifield, J. W. Howard, James M. Hughey, Grover C. Johnson, M. N. Johnston, Fred A. Lark, B. A. McKnight, W. A. Lindsey, Elbert Marlar, E. K. Means, Guy Murphy, W. A. Patty, E. M. Peters, C. M. Reves, J. A. Reynolds, J. L. Rowland, A. W. Russell, W. L. Russell, J. Abner Sage, E. K. Sewell, Jefferson Sherman, William Sherman, Mrs. Ora Sidwell, J. W. Simmons, J. H. Smith, W. G. Smith, J. B. Stewart, Grover Sutherland, F. M. Sweet, A. W. Wasson, Lester Weaver, W. P. Whaley, B. L. Wilford, W. J. Williams, C. F. Wilson, John A. Womack, W. Vance Womack, and J. W. York.

43. What approved supply pastors have been retired:

- a) This year? C. A. Simpson.
- b) Previously? H. C. Adams, J. C. Confer, J. M. Kitchens, and J. M. Talkington.

44. Who are left without appointments to attend school? James Beal, Joe Black, Allen Brockway, Hillman Byrum, Dewey Dark, Jr., Lamar Davis, Paul Dean Davis, W. L. Douglas, Bobby Edwards, Wesley Grisham, Frank Jones, Arvest Lawson, Marvest Lawson, George Wayne Martin, James Meadors, Fred Mooring, Roy Moyers, Thomas Nations, Vernon Paysinger, Thomas E. Richardson, Calvin Roetzell, James R. Shelton, Willie L. Walker and Maurice C. Webb.

45. What is the number of:

- a) Pastoral charges? 242; Approved supply pastors? 76; Received on trial? 10; Received into full connection? 14; Transfers in? 5; Transfers out? 8; Received from other churches? 0; Readmitted? 0; Discontinued? 3; Withdrawn? 0; Expelled? 0; Located? 0; Deceased? 5.

b) Ministers:

(1) On trial:

- (a) As pastors? 17.

- (b) Under special appointment? 0.

(c) Left without appointment to attend school? 18.

Total on trial? 35.

(2) In full connection:

(a) Effective:

(i) As pastors and district superintendents? 162

(ii) Under special appointment? 20

(iii) Left without appointment to attend school? 4

(iv) On sabbatical leave? 0

Total effective? 186

(b) Retired? 57

(c) Supernumerary? 0

c) Total of all ministers? 278

46. What other personal notation should be made? 1. Service record of James W. Workman be corrected to give him annuity for the year 1953-54 ("With annuity claim upon the conference subject to Paragraph 1623 (6a) of the 1952 DISCIPLINE). 2. Increase the supply years of Mrs. G. G. Davidson by nine (9) years (1914-23). 3. Grant A. H. Burroughs four (4) supply years (1935-38). 4. Correct the service record of Brady Cook to record him "Without annuity claim" for the year 1953-54. 5. Add one (1) supply year to Mrs. J. L. Shelby (1915). 6. Add six (6) supply years to James O. Davis (1946-51).

APPOINTMENTS

BATESVILLE DISTRICT

Richard E. Connell, District Superintendent 3

Batesville, Central Ave.	J. M. Barnett 1	Mountain View	H. W. Jinske 2
Batesville, First Church		Newark-Oil Trough	John S. Workman 2
	Lloyd M. Conyers 1	Newport, First Church	Van W. Harrell 1
Bethesda-Cushman	(T. B. Parmenter) 1	Newport, Umsted Memorial	
Calico Rock	Charles Casteel 1		M. L. Kaylor 5
Bull Shoals	(O. E. Olson) 1	Pleasant Plains Circuit	
Cave City Circuit	(Ivan R. Wilson) 2		(Burnell Stephens) 2
Cave City	Frank W. Shell 3	Salem	Maurice Lanier 4
Charlotte Circuit	(T. O. Love) 1	Swifton-Alicia	Pryor R. Cruce 2
Cotter	Robert Howerton 1	Tuckerman	Golder Lawrence 4
Desha-Salado	(Walter Abbe) 2	Viola Circuit	(Otho Strayhorn) 1
Evening Shade	(Carl Strayhorn) 3	Yellville	Theron McKisson 4
Melbourne	D. G. Hindman 2	McHue-Concord	(Vernon Anderson) 1
	Mrs. D. G. Hindman, Asso. 2	Oak Grove	(J. B. Stewart) 3
Moorefield-Asbury	B. W. Stallcup 2	Sulphur Rock	(J. M. Hughes) 3
Mountain Home	Benjamin C. Few 2		
Mountain Home Parish			
	Harvey Hazelwood 1		

District Director Arkansas Methodist—Maurice Lanier
 District Director of Evangelism—Robert Howerton
 District Missionary Secretary—Golder Lawrence
 District Director of Golden Cross—Theron McKisson
 District Commissioner, Arkansas Methodist Children's Home—B. C. Few
 District Radio and Film Director—J. M. Barnett
 District Director of Temperance—John S. Workman

CONWAY DISTRICT

Robert E. L. Bearden, District Superintendent 3

Atkins	John W. Glover 1		James Clemons, Asso. 1
Beacon	(W. B. Holman) 5	Gardner Memorial	Irl Bridenthal 4
Belleville-Havana	(Fred Thompson) 1	Levy	S. O. Patty 1
	(Mrs. Fred Thompson, Asso.) 1	Washington Avenue	Earle Cravens 1
Bethel-Cato	(W. G. Connor) 1	Rose City	J. F. Wilson 2
Conway: First	Joel A. Cooper 4	Sylvan Hills	L. K. Wilson 2
Wesley	Harold Wilson 1	Ola Circuit	(E. F. Flower) 1
Danville	Paul Lanier 1	Oppelo	(Eugene Rushing) 2
Dardanelle	C. H. Farmer 3	Perry-Perryville	George J. Kleeb 2
Dardanelle Circuit	(Edwin Sooter) 1	Perry County Circuit	(Robert Harris) 1
Dover-London	J. A. Newell 1	Plainview	(W. V. Walthal) 2
Fourche Valley Ct. (Davis Bilberry) 2		Plumerville	(Robert Johnson) 1
Greenbrier	(James H. Sewell) 2	Pope County Circuit	To be Supplied
Morrilton	David Conyers 1	Pottsville	William Hightower 5
Morrilton Ct. No. 1 (Wm. Yarbrough) 3		Russellville	Alf A. Eason 1
Morrilton Ct. No. 2 (Doyle Graham) 1		Salem	(James Gatlin) 3
Mt. Carmel Circuit	(Gerald Hilton) 1	Vilonia	(Joe E. Linam) 2
Naylor Circuit	(Charles Cook) 1	Waltreak	(J. M. Kitchens) 3
North Little Rock, First J. W. Watson 4			

District Director, Arkansas Methodist—Irl Bridenthal
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 District Missionary Secretary—William Hightower
 District Director, Golden Cross—Alf A. Eason
 District Commissioner, Methodist Children's Home—Ken Estes
 District Radio and Film Director—David Conyers
 District Director of Temperance—Earle Cravens

FAYETTEVILLE DISTRICT

Roy I. Bagley, District Superintendent 1

Alpena-Omaha	(C. S. Laster) 1	Fayetteville, Wiggins	Arnold Simpson 5
Bentonville	Hubert E. Pearce 4	Gentry	Worth W. Gibson 2
Bentonville Circuit	(W. C. Hutton) 3	Goshen	O. L. Cole 2
Berryville	Archie N. Boyd 2	Gravette	C. H. Harvison 3
Brightwater Memorial	Fern Cook 3	Green Forrest	Albert Wm. Martin, Jr. 1
Centerton	(Kenneth Hatfield) 2	Lincoln	William M. Wilder 2
Decatur	To be Supplied	Madison County No. 1	
Elm Springs-Harmon Woodrow Woods 5			Thomas R. Whiddon 2
Eureka Springs	H. F. McDonal 1	Madison County No. 2 (L. L. Langston) 2	
Farmington-Rhea	A. L. Riggs 4	Cane Hill	(Walter Pennel) 1
Fayetteville, Central D. L. Dykes, Jr. 7		Pea Ridge	(O. R. Findley) 2
	Jack Winegeart, Associate 3	Prairie Grove	Glenn Bruner 1

Rogers.....	Vernon E. Chalfant 4	Sulphur Springs.....	Delbert P. Ramaley 1
Siloam Springs.....	John Bayliss 3	Viney Grove-Cincinnati.....	(Charles Walters) 1
Springdale, First.....	Andrew J. Christie 2	Winslow.....	(Eugene Miser)
Springdale, Wesley.....	Sam Auslam 1	Bland's Chapel.....	To be Supplied
Springtown-Highfill.....	(Eugene Winkler) 2		

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 District Missionary Secretary—A. J. Christie
 District Director of Golden Cross—A. L. Riggs
 District Commissioner, Methodist Children's Home—Dr. Will H. Mock
 District Radio and Film Director—Sam Auslam
 District Director of Temperance—Thomas R. Whiddon

FORREST CITY DISTRICT

Otto W. Teague, District Superintendent 2

Aubrey.....	(A. E. McIlveene) 1	Hughes.....	Elmus C. Brown 1
Brinkley.....	J. Clarence Wilcox 3	Hunter.....	J. C. Richey 1
Cherry Valley.....	W. B. Yount 2	Marianna-LaGrange.....	Garland C. Taylor 1
Clarendon.....	L. F. LaFavers 1	Marion.....	I. L. Claud 1
Colt.....	(W. M. Stegall) 2	Marvell-Lexa.....	Porter Weaver 3
Cotton Plant.....	Ray L. McLester 2	Parkin.....	Charles Lewis 1
Crawfordsville-Blackfish.....	J. W. Glass 5	Vanndale.....	(A. L. Peterson) 2
Earle.....	G. A. McKelvey 3	West Helena.....	Jesse J. Decker 5
Elaine.....	Sam B. Watson 1	West Memphis.....	J. Ralph Hillis 3
Forrest City-Haynes.....		Wheatley.....	J. W. Moore 3
	Raymond L. Franks 4	Widener-Round Pond.....	Charles Wages 1
Helena.....	E. B. Williams 2	Wynne.....	Harold D. Womack 3
Holly Grove.....	O. M. Campbell 3	Hulbert.....	M. N. Johnston 1

District Director, Arkansas Methodist—Garland C. Taylor
 District Director of Evangelism—Clarence Wilcox
 District Missionary Secretary—J. Ralph Hillis
 District Director of Golden Cross—Elmus C. Brown
 District Commissioner, Methodist Children's Home—Marvin Byrd
 District Radio and Film Director—Harold D. Womack
 District Director of Temperance—J. J. Decker

FORT SMITH DISTRICT

W. Henry Goodloe, District Superintendent 5

Alix Circuit.....	(Troy Clinesmith) 3	Hartman Circuit.....	Earl B. Carter 3
Alma-Dyer.....	T. C. Chambliss 5	Huntington.....	M. L. Edgington 5
Altus Circuit.....	(Aaron Barling) 2	Kibler.....	C. R. Nance 2
Booneville.....	W. J. Spicer 5	Lamar Circuit.....	(Lindsey Rolland) 1
Branch Circuit.....	Uriah Smith 1	Lavaca.....	(J. E. Thomas) 1
Charleston.....	H. Lynn Wade 1	Magazine Circuit.....	(John W. Sandage) 3
Clarksville.....	Paul M. Bumpers 3	Mansfield.....	Willis Harl 1
Fort Smith: First.....	Fred G. Roebuck 11	Mulberry.....	W. Leonard Byers 4
Fifth Street.....	Floyd G. Villines, Sr. 4	New Hope-Mountain View.....	(W. T. Watson) 1
Glover Memorial.....	(Roy Poyner) 2	Ozark.....	Charles P. McDonald, Jr. 3
Goddard Memorial.....	Alfred A. Knox 3	Paris.....	G. B. Ames 1
Grand Avenue.....	Charles B. Wyatt 6	Prairie View-Scranton.....	(Virgil M. Hainsey) 2
Massard.....	Earl Hughes 2	Van Buren: First.....	Jesse Johnson 1
Midland Heights.....	W. A. Downum 11	City Heights-Bethel.....	(Felix Holland) 4
St. Luke.....	Paul Kelley 2	St. John's.....	Robert Paul Sessions 5
St. Paul's.....	J. H. Hoggard 1	Waldron: First.....	Oscar J. Evanston 3
Greenwood.....	V. F. Harris 3	Waldron Circuit.....	(Waymon Keel) 1
Hackett Circuit.....	(Mrs. Monroe Scott) 3		
Hartford-Midland.....	E. C. Hance 2		

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 District Director of Temperance—W. Leonard Byers
 District Commissioner, Methodist Children's Home—Leslie Bryant
 District Radio and Film Director—Fred G. Roebuck

JONESBORO DISTRICT

E. J. Holifield, District Superintendent 2

Bay-Pleasant Valley.....	William P. Connell 2	Blytheville, Wesley.....	(J. H. Richardson) 2
Black Oak.....	(Hascle O. West) 4	Bono Circuit.....	M. J. Pollard 2
Blytheville, First Church.....		Brookland Circuit.....	(Alfred Blair) 2
Blytheville, Lake Street.....	Harold Eggensperger 1	Caraway.....	(B. L. Wilford) 3

Dyess-Whitten.....	W. W. Peterson	2	Monette.....	Ben F. Jordan	3
Harrisburg.....	J. T. Byrd	7	Mt. Carmel.....	(Charles R. Holt)	1
Hickory Ridge-Fisher.....	Norris Steele	2	Nettleton.....	H. C. Minnis	1
Joiner.....	E. E. Stevenson	4	Osceola.....	W. O. Scroggin, Jr.	1
Jonesboro, First.....	Ethan W. Dodgen	2	St. John-Riverside.....	To be Supplied	
Jonesboro, Fisher Street.....	W. T. Lingo	1	Trumann.....	A. W. Harris	2
Jonesboro, Huntington.....	J. H. Holt	1	Turrell-Gilmore.....	Aubra O. Hays	3
Keiser.....	J. M. Harrison	4	Tyronza.....	Thurston Masters	5
Lake City-Lake View.....	John H. Barrett	3	Weiner.....	Arvill C. Brannon	3
Leachville.....	J. E. Linam	2	Weona-Centerview.....	James F. Weatherford	1
Lepanto-Garden Point.....	William A. Stewart, Jr.	4	Wilson.....	Raymond Dorman	1
Luxora.....	W. L. Diggs	1	Yarbro-Promised Land.....	Carl C. Burton	3
Manila.....	N. Lee Cate	4	Delfore-Macey.....	(Benny Joe Vancleve)	1
Marked Tree.....	Martin Bierbaum	1	Dell.....	E. H. Hall	7

Robert T. McMaster—Missionary to Alaska
 District Director, Arkansas Methodist—W. O. Scroggin, Jr.
 District Director of Evangelism—J. T. Byrd
 District Missionary Secretary—N. Lee Cate
 District Director, Golden Cross—Wm. A. Stewart, Jr.
 District Commissioner, Methodist Children's Home—J. C. Portis
 District Radio and Film Director—Harold Eggensperger
 District Director of Temperance—Raymond Dorman

PARAGOULD DISTRICT

J. Albert Gatlin, District Superintendent 1

Beech Grove.....	(James Smith)	1	Maynard-Ravenden Spgs.	Loyd Turner	1
Biggers-Knoble.....	Kenneth Renfroe	1	Paragould First.....	S. B. Wilford	3
Black Rock-Portia.....	Gail Anderson	3	Griffin Memorial.....	Clyde Crozier	1
Boydsville.....	(Gus Evans)	1	Paragould West Parish.....	Elvis Wright	1
Corning.....	Byron McSpadden	2	Paragould East Parish.....	Alvin Gibbs	2
Gainsville.....	(W. C. Smith)	1	Piggott.....	Floyd G. Villines, Jr.	1
Hardy.....	George L. McGhehey	2	Pocahontas.....	Edwin Dodson	3
Hoxie.....	H. L. Robison	1	Rector First.....	James Chandler	1
Imboden-Smithville.....	Robert A. Simpson	2	Rector 4th Street.....	(Y. D. Whitehurst)	1
Leonard Circuit.....	(Lee Anderson)	1	Rector Circuit.....	(Dave Smitherman)	2
Lorado.....	(Assoc. Mrs. Lee Anderson)	1	St. Francis.....	(D. Kern Johnson)	3
Mammoth Spring.....	Ray Burrow	1	Stanford-Warren's Chapel.....	(Leon Wilson)	1
Marmaduke-Harvey's Chapel.....	Gerald E. Hammett	1	Walnut Ridge.....	Elmo Thomasson	3

District Director, Arkansas Methodist—S. B. Wilford
 District Director of Evangelism—Gerald E. Hammett
 District Missionary Secretary—Floyd G. Villines, Jr.
 District Director, Golden Cross—Byron McSpadden
 District Commissioner, Methodist Children's Home—Winfred Polk
 District Radio and Film Director—Clyde Crozier
 District Director of Temperance—James Chandler

SEARCY DISTRICT

E. G. Kaetzell, District Superintendent 1

Antioch-Stony Point.....	(Cyril Wilson)	2	Leslie.....	(Travis Williams)	3
Augusta.....	O. D. Peters	1	Marshall.....	Vann Hooker	2
Bald Knob.....	Pharis J. Holifield	4	McCrary.....	W. M. Womack	2
Beebe.....	George Stewart	1	McRae Circuit.....	(Carl Williamson)	1
Cabot.....	J. J. Clark	2	McRae Extension.....	(J. M. Talkington—Silas Russell)	1
Clinton.....	J. L. Pruitt	3	Newton County.....	(M. B. Short)	1
Damascus-Fairbanks.....	(Dois Kennedy)	1	Pangburn Circuit.....	(Cecil Harrison)	1
Devew Circuit.....	(Eugene Shoemaker)	2	Quitman Circuit.....	(Marvin Dean Faith)	1
Griffithville Circuit.....	(Ray Edwards)	4	Rosebud Circuit.....	(John Chapman)	2
Harrison.....	Herchalle J. Couchman	1	Scotland Circuit.....	(Tom J. Cowan)	1
Heber Springs-Wilborn.....	James E. Major	2	Searcy.....	Alvin C. Murray	1
Jacksonville.....	Harold Spence	5	Valley Springs.....	(Marvin Thompson)	1
Judsonia.....	James T. Fleming	1			
Kensett.....	Frank Weatherford	1			

District Director, Arkansas Methodist—James E. Major
 District Director of Evangelism—Alvin Murray
 District Missionary Secretary—Harold Spence
 District Director of Golden Cross—H. J. Couchman
 District Commissioner, Methodist Children's Home—Vance Thompson
 District Radio and Film Director—George Stewart
 District Director of Temperance—Pharis J. Holifield

SPECIAL APPOINTMENTS

With Annuity Claim On This Conference:

Edward T. Wayland, Editor, The Arkansas Methodist
 Ewing T. Wayland, Editor, The Arkansas Methodist
 Elmer H. Hook, Superintendent, Western Methodist Assembly
 A. Neil Storey, Executive Secretary, Town and Country Commission
 Ira A. Brumley, Executive Secretary, Board of Education
 Bates Sturdy, Chaplain, State Sanatorium, Booneville
 Brady Cook, Approved Evangelist
 James W. Workman, Chaplain to Industry, Lone Star Steel Co.

With Annuity Claim On Institution Or Board Concerned:

James Seehorn Seneker, Professor, Perkins School of Theology
 A. W. Martin, Professor, Perkins School of Theology
 Glenn F. Sanford, Secretary, Town and Country Work, General Board of Missions
 James S. Upton, Professor of Religion, Hendrix College
 V. Earle Copes, Professor, Hendrix College

Without Annuity Claim On This Conference:

Gilbert F. Hyde, Chaplain, Veterans' Administration, attached to First Church,
 North Little Rock Quarterly Conference
 Harry King, Arkansas College
 Ray D. Seals, Chaplain, attached to Central Church, Fayetteville Quarterly Con-
 ference
 Leroy Henry, Chaplain, attached to First Church, Jonesboro Quarterly Conference
 Lyman T. Barger, Chaplain, attached to First Church, Jonesboro Quarterly Con-
 ference
 J. Rudolph Woodruff, Chaplain, attached to Central Church, Fayetteville Quarterly
 Conference
 Edward Coley, Chaplain, attached to Ozark Quarterly Conference

Left Without Appointment To Attend School:

Wesley Grisham, Emory University
 Dewey Dark, Jr., Emory University
 Arvest Lawson, Duke Divinity School
 Marvest Lawson, Duke Divinity School
 Hillman Byrum, Perkins School of Theology
 Joe E. Black, Perkins School of Theology
 Allen R. Brockway, Perkins School of Theology
 Lamar Davis, Perkins School of Theology
 W. L. Douglas, Perkins School of Theology
 Bobby Edwards, Perkins School of Theology
 Paul Dean Davis, Perkins School of Theology
 George Wayne Martin, Perkins School of Theology
 James Meadors, Perkins School of Theology
 James Beal, Perkins School of Theology
 Willie Lilburn Walker, Perkins School of Theology
 Thomas E. Richardson, Perkins School of Theology
 Fred Mooring, Perkins School of Theology
 Frank Jones, Perkins School of Theology
 Maurice C. Webb, Perkins School of Theology
 James Roland Shelton, Perkins School of Theology
 Calvin Roetzell, Perkins School of Theology
 Vernon Paysinger, Perkins School of Theology
 Thomas Nations, Perkins School of Theology
 Roy Moyers, Perkins School of Theology
 W. T. Johnson, Perkins School of Theology

Transferred Out:

Howard Cox, Elder, to the Little Rock Conference
 Guy C. Ames, Elder, to the Little Rock Conference
 Raymond M. Krutz, elder, to the Illinois Conference
 James R. Shelton, Class of second year, to North Texas Conference
 Charles Casteel, Deacon, to the Colorado Conference
 James W. Workman, Jr., Elder, to the Oregon Conference
 Leo Tim Fong, Deacon, to California-Nevada Conference
 Albert Gibbs, Class of Second Year, to Little Rock Conference
 Donald Wilson, Class of first year, to Little Rock Conference

Transferred In:

J. A. Newell, Elder, from Little Rock Conference
 Van W. Harrell, Elder, from Little Rock Conference
 James R. Shelton, Deacon, from North Texas Conference
 Charles Casteel, Elder, from Colorado Conference
 Sam Auslam, Elder from Central Texas

REPORT OF BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS**REPORT OF THE AMERICAN BIBLE SOCIETY**

Jesus said, "Let not your heart be troubled; believe in God, believe also in me." The Lord wants faith and not fear to rule our hearts. We have victory over the world through faith. A dynamic faith will produce what fear can never produce. Fear means defeat when given control of heart and life. Fear does not trust the Lord. It is a negative condition.

The Word of God is the Source Book of faith. As men read the Bible, or hear it preached they are aware of God and His promises. When they turn to God they are forgiven and given power to overcome their destructive fears. The Bible is then accepted as the guide of daily life and endeavor. Through its holy teachings men rise above the petty things produced by their fears and lay claim to the higher things of the Spirit by faith. Faith in God sweetens and enriches life.

The American Bible Society provides millions of copies of the Word of God for people of different lands. This is a glorious service for humanity. The Society deserves much credit for carrying on so well its production and distribution of the Scriptures. As New Testaments, Bibles and Portions are placed in the hands of children, youth and adults a greater people are the outcome. Great ideals and holy motives control a Bible-minded generation.

What people read disciplines their thinking for good, or evil. A type of literature which caters to lust and murder and robbery is destructive and helps to create low ideals. Such begets citizens in whose hearts are spiritual darkness. Oftentimes these are enslaved by worldly ambitions and purposes. In their hearts is a famine like the Prophet Amos describes in his message; "Behold, the days come, saith the Lord God, that I will send a famine in the land, not a famine of bread, nor of thirst for water, but of hearing the words of the Lord." Now a good slogan would be: "More Bibles, less darkness."

Therefore we the Committee on the American Bible Society make the following recommendations.

First. That as we use the Bible in the Worship Services, Church Schools, Camps, Retreats and our Private Devotions we seek to sense His Holy Presence and Nearness. That the leader of Worship seek to fully acquaint himself with the portions to be read so as to give the message to those listening. Read the Scriptures carefully, and prayerfully.

That we seek to increase the circulation of the Upper Room, the Sanctuary and the other Guides which are made possible for our enlightenment.

Second. We urge that the Universal Bible Reading from Thanksgiving to Christmas be encouraged in all the Churches. This is a well planned reading which will prove very helpful. The American Bible Society will furnish these guides upon request for them. Ordering them early that they may be placed in the hands of the people is suggested.

Third. We recommend that Universal Bible Sunday, December 12th be observed in all of the Churches throughout Methodism. Also that an offering be received and sent to the American Bible Society, 450 Park Avenue, New York 22, N. Y. That on the Circuits this Bible Sunday be kept as close as possible. We further recommend that Sermons be preached emphasizing the importance of the Bible in private, family and community life. Also we want to suggest the use of Visual Aids in showing films which depict the worth of the Bible through human experiences and efforts.

Fourth. That our people be given opportunity to help place the Bible in areas where it is so badly needed.

Fifth. Let us seek to build up a friendly attitude and appreciation in

the minds and hearts of the people for the work the American Bible Society is doing.

Bates Sturdy, Chairman
Woodrow Woods, Secretary

REPORT OF THE NORTH ARKANSAS HISTORICAL COMMISSION

After a search of several years to acquire a complete set of the Journals of the Methodist Protestant Church in Arkansas, the Commission has found that there are enough copies in the conference to make up approximately two complete sets. We feel sure that eventually we will be able to acquire a complete set, and as a starter the Rev. William O. Scroggin is presenting to the Commission this year the copies in his possession for file in the Hendrix College Archives.

This year the Historical Commission received an offer from the Little Rock Conference to build a fire-proof vault, for the storing of records, at the Methodist Children's Home in Little Rock. Feeling sure that the conference would prefer to have its records stored at Hendrix College, where there is a full-time staff to care for them and preserve them, and checking to make certain that Hendrix had both the room and the desire to help the conference in this matter, we tentatively rejected the offer to build a new vault as being a waste of conference funds, and suggested that the Little Rock Conference also continue to use Hendrix College as the repository of its records. Of course, if it is ever discovered that the records cannot be cared for adequately under the present arrangement, and if a way can be seen to raise the necessary funds to build such a vault, we will be glad to cooperate with such an arrangement—suggesting, however, that such a vault be built at Hendrix where there is an adequate staff to provide for the records. The present situation does not seem to justify such expense, though.

Perhaps the most remarkable find of this present year, and perhaps for many a year, was accomplished by one of our pastors, the Rev. Vernon Chalfant. In the home of one of his members, Mrs. W. R. Morgan of 204 S. 3rd St., in Rogers, there is an ancient letter signed by John Wesley, and said to be in their family treasures for generations. We believe this letter to be the original letter that Mr. Wesley sent to the Methodists in America in which he informs them of his ordination of Dr. Coke as Superintendent. Checking with a copy of the letter as found in Sweet's **Methodism In American History**, we discovered that there were several differences, which it does not seem one would make if he were trying to make a true copy of an original. The letter at Rogers spells the word "distressed" in the old English manner of Wesley's day "distrest," and there are several commas added in Sweet's copy, which the original does not have. Also, several words are capitalized, which Sweet, in our more modern usage, fails to capitalize. Of course, without a more careful check of the handwriting and signature, we could not say for sure if this letter is the original, but it does appear that it might be, and if it is, it is a very rare find. We are thankful to Brother Chalfant who has obtained a photostatic copy of the letter for presentation to the Commission, and for file at Hendrix College.

Due to the lack of sufficient data, the Commission, for the first time in several years, failed to place a historical marker this year. However, the proper data should be forthcoming soon, and we hope to place the marker then.

Once more we strongly urge every charge to establish a local church Historical Committee for the collection and preservation of local church history, and that all records be kept in fireproof vaults.

Respectfully submitted,

William M. Wilder, Chairman
N. Lee Cate, Secretary

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF CHRISTIAN LITERATURE**Report No. 1**

One of the two chief purposes for which the Board of Christian Literature was organized is to receive and disburse the money allotted by our Conference for the support of The Arkansas Methodist, and to represent the Conference in its relationship with the Arkansas Methodist, directly and through representation on the Joint Commission of The Arkansas Methodist and The Louisiana Methodist. In this capacity we submit the following report:

1. We commend the editors and staff of The Arkansas Methodist for their part in giving us a fine church paper. Dr. E. T. Wayland and Rev. Ewing T. Wayland are not just editors and administrators; they are in the finest way ministers, serving through the paper the cause of Christ and the Methodist people of Arkansas and Louisiana.

2. We thank the pastors and laymen of our conference whose efforts make possible the splendid circulation of the Arkansas Methodist. The Methodist is not an end in itself. It is a means through which the great program of our church is strengthened and promoted. An increasing circulation will mean an increasing effectiveness in the word of our Lord and His Church.

3. Our Area Office of Methodist Information, although still in its infancy, is already carrying news of our church and its work to thousands of people in Arkansas and Louisiana, through the pages of the secular press and news programs of radio and television. We are fortunate to secure so capable a director for our Area Office of Methodist Information as Miss Georgia Daily has proven herself to be.

4. We submit for filing in the Conference Journal a report from P. E. Cooley, Conference Treasurer, showing that your Board has received from World Service \$4,512.31, and disbursed \$4,512.31, leaving on hand a balance of \$0.

5. We also offer for filing the financial statement of the Arkansas Methodist and The Louisiana Methodist. Any minister or layman having questions about the financial condition or operation of the Methodist may study this statement in the Conference Journal.

6. We make a part of our report the Report of the Joint Commission of the Arkansas Methodist and the Louisiana Methodist, and heartily concur in its recommendations.

Respectfully submitted,
Robert Paul Sessions, Chairman
W. W. Womack, Secretary

Report No. 2

The second chief purpose for which the Board of Christian Literature was organized is to emphasize upon the Conference floor and in the Conference Journal the importance of circulating Christian literature among our people. However, the greatest need for promoting Christian literature lies not on the floor of the Annual Conference or in the Conference Journal, but in the local church and in the reading habits of individual members of our local congregations. The work of your Conference Board of Christian Literature becomes effective only as each local pastor examines the spiritual needs of his own congregation, determines the literature which will meet those needs, and works out definite plans for encouraging the use of the right literature among his own people.

A wise pastor recognizes that "as a man thinks in his heart, so is he," and a wise pastor knows that the reading habits of his people have much to do with their response to the challenge of Christ and His Church. All too often our members fail to respond to the message of Christ and the mission of His Church because they do not understand the message and because they have no vision of a great Church program beyond the local church. All too often our high purposes fail in the local church

because our people are uninformed, or misinformed, or uninspired. On the other hand, that local church moves forward whose members have been taught to choose and use literature that is truly Christian, whose members read that literature which gives them the information and inspiration they need for effective Christian living.

Therefore, to the pastors of our Conference your Board of Christian Literature makes the following two recommendations:

(1) That the Official Board of each local church, under the leadership of the pastor, set up a Committee on Good Literature as provided for in Paragraph 246, Section 10, of the 1952 Discipline. Among the functions of this committee are: to call attention to the publication of new books of worth in forming and building the Christian life, to arrange for exhibits of books and pamphlets relating to the work of The Methodist Church, to promote the observance of Bible Sunday, to help the pastor in securing subscriptions to the Arkansas Methodist, Christian Advocate, and other church periodicals, to promote the use of approved publications in the church school, and to cultivate The Upper Room, Power (for young people), The Christian Home (for families with Children), and the World Outlook.

(2) That each pastor preach during the Conference Year ahead one sermon in which he helps his people understand the effect on their and lives of their reading, and in which he guides his people in choosing and using literature that is Christian in content and influence. A good time for such a sermon would be the last Sunday in December or the first or second Sunday in January, as these Sundays immediately precede the Arkansas Methodist campaign. It is further suggested that on this same Sunday there be arranged in the church a display of those books and publications which the pastor thinks his people should know and use.

Respectfully submitted,
Robert Paul Sessions, Chairman
W. W. Womack, Secretary

REPORT OF THE JOINT COMMISSION OF THE ARKANSAS-LOUISIANA METHODIST

The Joint Commission of the Arkansas Methodist and The Louisiana Methodist met at the First Methodist Church, Little Rock, February 17, 1954, with Dr. Aubrey G. Walton, chairman, presiding. Those present included Bishop Paul E. Martin, O. C. Landers, E. Vernon Markham, Charles W. Richards, Fred W. Schwendimann, Aubrey G. Walton, Burney Wilson, R. R. Branton, J. N. Fomby, H. L. Johns, Virgil D. Morris, Joel Cooper, J. G. Moore, R. J. Rice, Robert P. Sessions, J. Frank Warden, J. William Watson, W. M. Womack, Miss Georgia Daily, and Editors E. T. and Ewing T. Wayland.

The Editors made reports dealing with the circulation and financial condition of the two publications, which showed that total subscriptions for each publication are at an all time high and the financial condition is good.

After discussion of various matters of business, the Commission voted to make the following recommendations to the three Annual Conferences of the Area:

(1) That Dr. E. T. Wayland and Rev. Ewing T. Wayland be appointed with annuity to share jointly the responsibility as Editors and Business Managers of the Arkansas Methodist and The Louisiana Methodist.

(2) That there be allowed the Arkansas Methodist the same percentage apportionment from the conference benevolences of the Little Rock and North Arkansas Conferences. The Louisiana Conference has a fixed amount in its conference budget for the support of The Louisiana Methodist during the present quadrennium.

(3) That the campaign goal for 1955 be 35,000 for the combined publications, with a quota for each pastoral charge of one subscription for each nine members.

(4) That each conference adopt the same general plan for the Circulation Campaign as used last year, and that the date of the campaign be set for January 9-16, 1955, and that the leadership of the conferences keep this week open, giving priority to the subscription campaign.

(5) That the individual subscription price be continued at \$2.00, but that a subscription price of \$1.50 be authorized where the Official Board of a church enters into a contract, agreement, or arrangement to send the paper into, as a minimum, the homes of every contributing family of the church; and further that the Editors be authorized to enter into contract, agreement, or arrangement with the Official

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Board of a church, or responsible parties of a District or Sub-District, for local publicity on the back page of the publication.

With respect to the Area program of Methodist Information, the Methodist news service of the Area, the Commission reports that Miss Georgia Daly, who has served the past year as Associate Director, has been made the Director of the program, succeeding Rev. Ewing T. Wayland, who was asked to continue in an advisory relationship to the program. The Commission recommends to the annual conferences that the apportionment for this program from each conference be increased from \$1,000 to \$1,500 to insure ample funds for an adequate program.

Aubrey G. Walton, Chairman
Fred Schwendimann, Secretary

Treasurer's Report, Conference Year 1953-54

Balance from Last Year	\$ 53.79	
RECEIPTS: World Service	4,458.52	
Total	\$4,512.31	
DISBURSEMENTS:		
Arkansas Methodist	\$4,506.81	
Audit & Treas. Bond	5.50	4,512.31
Balance in Treasury		0

P. E. COOLEY, Treasurer

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THE LOUISIANA METHODIST

Balance Sheet—December 31, 1953

ASSETS

Cash on Hand	\$ 12.79	
Balance Union Nat'l. Bank	425.12	
Office Furniture & Fixtures	5,915.01	
Government Bonds Certificates		
Building Fund	14,508.47	
Operating Fund	517.12	
Investment Stock	3,000.00	
		\$24,378.51

LIABILITIES

Borrowed from Reserve	\$ 2,700.00
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NET WORTH

Financial Statement—January 1, 1953-December 31, 1953

RECEIPTS:

Subscriptions	\$56,226.94
Advertising	3,358.77
Conference Benevolences:	
L. R. Conf.	\$ 4,402.03
N. A. Conf.	3,690.00
La. Conf.	1,250.00

9,342.03

Rent, Apartment House	534.00
Sale of Papers	3.60
Interest, Reserve Investment	105.00
Borrowed from Reserve	2,700.00
Interest, Gov't. Certificate Operating Fund	178.00
Refund Insurance, 1018 Scott St.	39.78

72,488.52

Balance on Hand January 1, 1953	1,933.52
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\$74,422.04

Receipts Forwarded	\$74,422.04
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DISBURSEMENTS:

Salaries:

Senior Editor	\$ 6,201.00
Junior Editor	5,200.00
Editor Asst.	2,380.18
Office Help	2,306.35

16,087.53

Social Security	160.29
Withholding Tax	1,192.80
Travel Expense	1,373.57

Rent Allowance:

Senior Editor	1,200.00
Junior Editor	1,200.00

		2,400.00	
Office Expense:			
Postage	367.25		
Telephone	479.33		
Rent	1,290.00		
Stationery	190.14		
Editors' Bond	90.00		
Audit of Books	40.00		
Lock Box	13.20		
Bank Charges	49.87		
Repair Typewriter	17.73		
Typewriter Ribbons	16.32		
Freight on Addressograph	16.47		
Office Map	37.50		
Directory Listing	10.00		
Printing Receipt Books	42.44		
Miscellaneous	127.63		
		2,787.88	
Equipment & Furnishings		2,103.59	
Publication Costs:			
Printing & Paper	33,553.43		
Engraving	1,563.02		
Postage	2,065.00		
Mailing Papers	1,414.68		
Mailing Supplies	236.81		
Addressograph Supplies	423.21		
		39,256.15	
Manuscript Expense:			
News Service	695.71		
S. S. Lessons	240.00		
Magazine Subscriptions	202.70		
Photo Supplies	393.37		
Miscellaneous	25.00		
		1,556.77	
1018 Scott Apartments			
Utilities	216.04		
Maintenance	8.54		
Taxes	239.47		
		464.05	
Circulation Camp. Exp.		464.05	
Commission Meeting Exp.		174.30	
Group Insurance Editors'		54.00	
Editors' Annuity		720.00	
Advertising Commission		116.35	
Typewriter Service		35.40	
Tile Flooring & Office Redecorating		106.70	
Miscellaneous		51.98	
Repayment of Loans:			
Union National Bank	1,500.00		
Reserve Fund	2,700.00		
Interest on Above	37.51	4,237.51	
Government Certificate Operating Fund		517.12	
		73,984.13	
PROOF:			
Cash on Hand, December 31, 1953		12.79	
Balance Union National Bank		425.12	
		437.91	
		74,422.04	

BOARD OF CONFERENCE CLAIMANTS

We, your Board of Conference Claimants, submit the following report:
Recommendations:

1. That the apportionment to the Charges for Conference Claimants be an amount equal to 16 per cent of the pastor's salary.
2. That each minister appointed by the Conference with annuity claim on the Conference shall contribute to the Conference Claimants Fund an amount equal to the following percentages of their total salary which shall include Minimum Salary and Missionary appropriations:

Salary Range Percentage

\$	—\$2,000	½ %
	2,001— 4,000	1%
	4,001—and up	1½ %

3. That the Secretary of the Annual Conference be requested to print in the Conference Journal individual amounts paid during this year by pastors to the Conference Claimants Fund.

4. That the Clearing House rate for 1955-56 be \$33 per service year.

5. That the special dependency benefit claim of Robert Hood be validated.

6. That the dependency benefit claims of Miss Wilma Benbrook and James Randle be validated.

7. That payments be made quarterly upon the first day of each quarter, except that the third quarterly payment may be advanced to as much as December 15.—July 1, October 1, January 1, and April 1, for the 1954-55 Conference year.

8. That in accordance with the generally accepted principle of our church, the institution, board or organization, paying the salary of a man should provide the pension for that man.

9. That the special appointments be listed in the Conference Journal as follows:

With Annuity Claim upon the Conference subject to Paragraph 1623 (6a) of the 1952 Discipline.

E. T. Wayland, Editor of The Arkansas Methodist
Ewing T. Wayland, Editor of The Arkansas Methodist
Elmer H. Hook, Superintendent of Western Methodist Assembly
Bates Sturdy, Chaplain at State Sanatorium
James W. Workman, Chaplain in Industry.

With Annuity Claim upon the Conference:

Ira A. Brumley, Secretary Board of Education
A. N. Storey, Secretary Town and Country Commission

With Annuity Claim on the Institution or Board concerned:

James S. Seneker, Southern Methodist University
Robert McMaster, General Board of Missions
A. W. Martin, Southern Methodist University
James S. Upton, Hendrix College
Glen T. Sanford, General Board of Missions
V. Earle Copes, Hendrix College

Without Annuity Claim:

James Rudolph Woodruff, Chaplain
Ray D. Seals, Chaplain
Lyman T. Barger, Chaplain
Leroy Henry, Chaplain
Gilbert F. Hyde, Chaplain Veterans Administration
Harry King, Professor Arkansas College
Brady Cook, Conference Evangelist

10. That those men listed with annuity subject to Paragraph 1623 (6a) of the 1952 Discipline be apportioned \$360 for service rendered by each and said apportionment be paid prior to June 1, 1955.

1. That as a matter of policy this Board will not make any retroactive settlements prior to the year in which a claim is made to our Board, except in the case of men who have been serving in the capacity of Chaplains, and that notice of any claim for years of service shall be made in writing.

12. That Harold D. Womack, Secretary-Treasurer of the Board of Conference Claimants for the North Arkansas Conference, be paid \$300.00 for secretarial work during the year 1954-55.

Alf A. Eason, Chairman

H. D. Womack, Secretary

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Report No. 2

Treasurer's Report, Conference Year 1953-54

RECEIPTS:

Cash balance from last year	\$ 59,365.05	
P. E. Cooley, Conference Treasurer:		
Churches	\$105,510.89	
Ministers	8,035.71	113,546.60
Board of Pensions:		
Conference Held Endowment	2,275.22	
Chartered Fund	140.00	
Permanent Fund	82.30	
George Warren Brown Fund	65.06	
General Fund	5,219.67	7,782.25
Dividends from Investments		627.22
Methodist Publishing House		4,896.70
Western Methodist Assembly—E. H. Hook		180.00
The Arkansas Methodist—E. T. Wayland and Ewing Wayland		720.00
Total Receipts		\$187,117.82

DISBURSEMENTS:

Retired Conference Members	\$ 61,619.84	
Widows of Conference Members	32,308.17	
Retired Supply Ministers	1,915.00	
Widows of Retired Supply Ministers	193.68	
Dependent Children	982.80	
Necessitous Allowances	310.36	
Retirement Benefits	1,200.00	
Death Benefits	800.00	
Investments	20,000.00	
Board of Pensions—Clearinghouse	11,495.06	
Sundry Expenses:		
Secretarial Allowance	\$ 300.00	
Evans and Johnson—Audit	17.00	
W. J. Pollard—Bond	40.00	
Dickson Insurance Co		
Heber Springs Home, 3 yrs.	55.00	
Travel Expense of Board	166.11	
Supplies, postage, telephone calls	75.73	653.84
Total Disbursements		\$131,476.69

Cash on deposit in Cross County Bank, Wynne, Arkansas,
as per Statement of June 14, 1954

\$ 55,641.13

INVESTMENTS:

Batesville Federal Savings and Loan Assoc.	\$ 5,000.00	
Citizens Federal Sav. and Loan Assoc. of Jonesboro	5,000.00	
First Federal Savings and Loan Assoc. of Fort Smith	5,000.00	
Forrest City Federal Savings and Loan	5,000.00	
Searcy Federal Savings and Loan	5,000.00	
West Memphis Federal Savings and Loan	10,000.00	
Dividend Credited December 31, 1953	81.23	
Wynne Federal Savings and Loan	5,000.00	40,081.23

Balance on Deposit on June 14, 1954

\$ 95,722.36

H. D. WOMACK, Treasurer

Report No. 3

Distribution To Claimants

Superannuates	Service Years		Annuity	Relief	Total
	Supply	Regular			
Adams, S. N.		35	\$1085.00	\$	\$1085.00
Rt. 1					
Strong, Ark.		42½	1317.50		1317.50
Allbright, W. W.					
Heber Springs, Ark.					
Bevens, M. C.	3		65.09		65.09
1421 Belle Ave.					
Fort Smith, Ark.					
Bevis, R. A.		21	651.00		651.00
Patterson, Ark.					

MINUTES NORTH ARKANSAS CONFERENCE

Superannuates	Service Supply	Years Regular	Annuity	Relief	Total
Bumpers, Carlos H. 923 So. Hobart Pampa, Texas	1	31	982.70		982.70
Cherry, M. A. Paragould, Ark.		6	186.00		186.00
Craig, Eli 3300 W. 13th Little Rock, Ark.	5	22	790.50		790.50
Dickerson, T. L. Ozark, Ark.		23	713.00		713.00
DuLaney, A. H. 1632 Prince St. Conway, Ark.		41	1301.00		1301.00
Evans, J. E. P. O. Box 297 Hot Springs, Ark.	3	18	638.10		638.10
Fair, L. W. Mansfield, Ark.		26	806.00		806.00
Faulkner, E. W. 413 S. Springfield St. Berryville, Ark.	1	41½	1308.20		1308.20
Galloway, J. J. 1104 Lexington Ave. Fort Smith, Ark.		43	1333.00		1333.00
Goode, A. E. 2012 Prince St. Conway, Ark.	1	35	1106.70		1106.70
Graves, M. A. 904 N. Terry Wynne, Ark.	7	25½	942.40		942.40
Gray, C. E. P. O. Box 201 Rector, Arkansas		41½	1286.50		1286.50
Greer, Norris F. 704 W. Nettleton Jonesboro, Ark.	2	30	973.40		973.40
Guice, C. Norman 619 Mitchell Conway, Ark.		45½	1397.50		1397.50
Harger, J. W. Leslie, Ark.	2	25	818.40		818.40
Hollifield, C. E. % Rev. E. J. Hollifield 1200 Madison Jonesboro, Ark.		20	620.00		620.00
Howard, J. W. Cherry Valley, Ark.		34	1054.00		1054.00
Hughes, J. M. Newark, Ark.		38	1178.00		1178.00
Hughey, J. M. 651 W. Oak Jonesboro, Ark.		43	1333.00		1333.00
Johnson, G. C. Forrest City, Ark.		41½	1286.50		1286.50
Johnston, M. N. 220 W. Cooper West Memphis, Ark.		34	1062.00		1062.00
Lark, Fred A. 4005 Richmond Shreveport, La.	1	47	1510.70		1510.70
Lindsey, W. A. Heber Springs, Ark.		47	1457.00		1457.00
Marlar, Elbert 1114 4th St. Rector, Ark.		21	653.00		653.00
McKnight, B. A. Box 72 Belleville, Ark.		41	1267.00		1267.00
Means, E. K. 506 Hall St. Monroe, La.		44	1617.00		1617.00
Murphy, Guy 921 Main New Madrid, Missouri		22	684.00		684.00
Patchell, G. E. Died 1-5-54	1½	36	861.41		861.41

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Superannuates	Service Years Supply Regular	Annuity	Relief	Total
Patty, Wm. A. 609 W. Delaware Fairfield, Ill.	23	713.00		713.00
Peters, E. M. McCrory, Ark.	24	796.00		796.00
Reves, C. M. 1215 Hunter Conway, Ark.	43½	1402.52		1402.52
Reynolds, J. A. 1840 Lee St. Conway, Ark.	40	1240.00		1240.00
Rowland, J. L. 415 N. Garden St. Roswell, N. Mex.	18	558.00	20.00	578.00
Russell, A. W. Box 211 Whiteville, Tenn.	16	511.00	100.00	611.00
Russell, W. L. Glenn Rose, Texas	28	1041.00		1041.00
Sage, J. Abner, Jr. % Mrs. Ralph MaHaffey 826 Retama St. Falfurrias, Texas	29	973.00		973.00
Sewell, E. K. ½ 521 W. Hall Osceola, Ark.	36	1126.85		1126.85
Sherman, Jefferson Searcy, Ark.	43½	1348.50		1348.50
Sherman, William 1 306 E. Dickson Fayetteville, Ark.	52	1633.70		1633.70
Sidwell, Mrs. Ora L. % J. M. Scott	14	434.00		434.00
1112 E. Ledbetter Drive Dallas 16, Texas	14	434.00		434.00
Simmons, J. W. Rt. 1 Boydsville, Ark.	22	682.00		682.00
Smith, J. H. 17 201 N. 2nd Heber Springs, Ark.	10	678.90		678.90
Smith, W. C. Rt. 4 Paragould, Ark.	18½	573.50		573.50
Stewart, J. B. ½ Newark, Ark.	30	940.85		940.85
Sutherland, Grover Bethesda, Ark.	29	899.00		899.00
Sweet, F. M. Manila, Ark.	31	991.00		991.00
Villines, Floyd G., Sr. 4 1207 N. 5th Fort Smith, Ark.	41	1357.80		1357.80
Weaver, Lester 2801 4th Ave. Richmond 22, Va.	39½	1259.50		1259.50
Whitten, Coy E. 23 Pine Hill Terrace Little Rock, Ark.			103.96	103.96
Whaley, Wm. P. 1 Conway, Ark.	48	1573.70		1573.70
Willcoxon, J. T. Died 5-16-54	37	1153.00		1153.00
Wilford, B. L. ½ Caraway, Ark.	44	1374.85		1374.85
Williams, W. J. 4 Piggott, Ark.	30	1016.80		1016.80
Wilson, C. F. 707 Warner Ave. Jonesboro, Ark.	25	775.00		775.00
Wilson, R. E. 2 Died 2-25-54	23½	578.92		578.92
Womack, J. A. Box 682 Jonesboro, Ark.	47½	1472.50		1472.50
Womack, W. V. ½ 2026 So. "L" Fort Smith, Ark.	42½	1328.35		1328.35

Superannuates	Service Years Supply Regular	Annuity	Relief	Total
York, J. W. ElDorado, Ill.	29	901.00		901.00
WIDOWS OF CONFERENCE MEMBERS				
Adcock, Mrs. Wm. M. % Robt. Adcock Clifton 1, Va.	32¼	699.83		699.83
Bearden, Mrs. R. E. L. Leachville, Ark.	42	918.40		918.40
Bishop, Mrs. W. E. 106 N. E. 7th St. Bentonville, Ark.	27¾	602.18		602.18
Blevins, Mrs. H. H. 1 524 Hazel St. Newport, Ark.	33½	742.14		742.14
Blevins, Mrs. W. F. 513 So. Main Av. Springfield, Mo.	25¾	558.78		558.78
Branson, Mrs. A. M. R. 1100 W. Main St. Blytheville, Ark.	27	585.90		585.90
Carter, Mrs. J. F. 23118 Dolorosa St. Woodland Hills, Calif.	12	263.20		263.20
Castleberry, Mrs. C. L. 1005 Beckwith Ave. Caruthersville, Mo.	35	759.50		759.50
Cline, Mrs. Mary Ellen 6 203 So. Wright Street Siloam Springs, Ark.	23	590.24		590.24
Cooley, Mrs. Marie Moon 416 Washington Av. Fayetteville, Ark.	21	320.73		320.73
Davidson, Mrs. G. G. 809 E. Twin Springs St. Siloam Springs, Ark.	12	260.40		260.40
Due, Mrs. J. W. Ravenden, Ark.	25½	553.35		553.35
Dodson, Mrs. F. E. 403 Mitchell Conway, Arkansas	43	948.16		948.16
Dyer, Mrs. Elisha 1628 Independence St. Conway, Ark.	28½	618.45		618.45
Emrah, Mrs. P. W. % Kenneth Kirker Rt. 2, Box 19 Newport, Ark.	19	412.30		412.30
Faust, Mrs. W. J. 1311 Tutwiler Blvd. Memphis, Tenn.	41	889.70		889.70
Fryar, Mrs. J. M. Beebe, Ark.	25	559.30		559.30
Goddard, Mrs. O. E. 1321 Davis St. Conway, Ark.	11¼	244.13		244.13
Griffin, Mrs. H. H. 439 W. Poplar Paragould, Ark.	41	901.60		901.60
Hall, Mrs. W. E. Dell, Ark.	38	824.50		824.50
Hamilton, Mrs. F. R. 417 S. Madison St. Siloam Springs, Ark.	18	390.60		390.60
Harris, Mrs. B. L. 2007 Robinson Ave. Conway, Ark.	36¼	802.73		802.73
Hayden, Mrs. R. S. 2017 Robinson Conway, Ark.	16¾	363.48		363.48
Hively, Mrs. C. F. 1533 Golden Ave. Hermosa Beach, Calif.	10	217.00		217.00

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Superannuates	Service Years		Annuity	Relief	Total
	Supply	Regular			
Howerton, Mrs. R. B. Box 321 Searcy, Arkansas		21½	466.55		466.55
Hunt, Mrs. H. H., Sr. 229 E. 27th North Tulsa, Okla.		34	745.50		745.50
Johnson, Mrs. Myrta F. 224 W. Dickson Fayetteville, Ark.		26¾	530.48		580.48
Johnston, Mrs. J. W. 440 Fowler St. Batesville, Ark.		27¼	591.33		591.33
Jones, Mrs. R. 708 Grand Ave. Shreveport, La.		5	108.50		108.50
Jordan, Mrs. J. R. P. O. Box 597 Monette, Ark.		24	557.20		557.20
Justice, Mrs. T. J.		8¾	187.08		187.08
LeRoy, Mrs. Wm. J. Rt. 1, Box 154 Fort Smith, Ark.		39	846.30	.40	846.70
Lewis, Mrs. Minnie Drasco, Ark.		9	195.30		195.30
Little, Mrs. Frederick 502 S. Jefferson San Angelo, Texas		14	303.80		303.80
Martin, Mrs. W. T. ½ O. W. Petway Warren, Ark.		25	542.50		542.50
McAden, Mrs. Willie 428 E. Emerson Paragould, Ark.		6¼	141.05		141.05
Merrill, Mrs. Pierce 1118 Oak St. Conway, Ark.		9¾	211.58		211.58
Moore, Mrs. Floyd Otis 1 R.F.D. 1 Alamo, Texas	1	1	21.70		21.70
Morehead, Mrs. Rufus C.		44½	965.65		965.65
Myers, Mrs. Eli 53 Taylor St. Frankfort, Ind.		19	412.30		412.30
Nelson, Mrs. C. H. 1220 Clifton St. Conway, Ark.		6	130.20		130.20
Nelson, Mrs. J. R. Died 7-16-53		38¼	210.50		210.50
O'Bryant, Mrs. J. H. 1512 N. "E" St. Fort Smith, Ark.		29¾	645.58		645.58
Patchell, Mrs. Geo. E. 1½ 605 Malcolm Ave. Newport, Ark.	1½	36	201.00		201.00
Potter, Mrs. Margaret R. 323 Corprew Fayette, Mo.		39	975.10		975.10
Pyles, Mrs. George W. 911 W. Hearn St. Blytheville, Ark.		24¾	537.08		537.08
Randle, Mrs. Lillian B. Pearl St. Apts. Marianna, Ark.		19	412.30		412.30
Robertson, Mrs. B. E. 2509 So. "R" % Edmond Robertson Fort Smith, Ark.		25	542.50		542.50
Robertson, Mrs. R. A. % Mrs. W. D. Douthitt Box 397 Briscoe, Texas		42	911.40		911.40
Rutledge, Mrs. J. D. 710 Walnut Blytheville, Ark.		11	238.70		238.70
Shelby, Mrs. J. L. 318 N. 17th Fort Smith, Ark.		30	651.00		651.00
Slaughter, Mrs. E. J. Died 1-29-54		30	499.80		499.80

Superannuates	Service Years		Annuity	Relief	Total
	Supply	Regular			
Smith, Mrs. C. P.		3¾	90.83		90.83
Box 201 Houma, La.					
Southard, Mrs. Ida		4¼	92.23		92.23
2209 So. "Z" St. Fort Smith, Ark.					
Southworth, Mrs. W. S.		2	43.40		43.40
Box 234 Imboden, Ark.					
Steward, Mrs. H. K.		2	43.40		43.40
Lincoln, Ark.					
Stewart, Mrs. Allen D.		30¼	656.43		656.43
2401 W. 16th Little Rock, Ark.					
Thompson, Mrs. W. T.		31	678.30		678.30
Box 68 Bauxite, Ark.					
Wade, Mrs. C. J.		34¾	754.08		754.08
Ozark, Ark.					
Weaver, Mrs. James C.		11	238.70		238.70
% Mrs. John Beveliaque Crestwood Helena, Ark.					
Wiggins, Mrs. Sam B.		26½	575.05		575.05
1310 Olive St. Jonesboro, Ark.					
Wilson, Mrs. R. E.	2	23½	135.09		135.09
% Herman Thompson Box 86 McCrory, Arkansas					
Wilkes, Mrs. Rex B.		41	1017.10		1017.10
1905 Johnson St. Little Rock, Ark.					
Woodruff, Mrs. J. E.		12	260.40		260.40
1715 So. "I" St. Fort Smith, Arkansas					
Yancey, Mrs. Sam M.		36¾	797.48		797.48
304 N. Willow St. Fayetteville, Ark.					
Yates, Mrs. D. L.		3	65.10		65.10
693 Shatto Place Los Angeles 5, Calif.					

RETIRED APPROVED SUPPLIES

Cofer, J. C.	25	542.49		542.49
Van Buren, Ark.				
Crenshaw, J. C.	12¾	276.68		276.68
515 So. Main Brinkley, Ark.				
Davis, J. O.	1	21.68	21.00	42.68
2635 Washington N. E. Albuquerque, N. Mex.				
Kitchens, J. M.	10	217.00		217.00
Waltreak, Ark.				
Talkington, J. M.	39½	857.15		857.15
Beebe, Ark.				
Ruble, Mrs. L. R.	12¾	193.68	65.00	258.68
P. O. Box 596 Batesville, Ark.				

DEPENDENT CHILDREN

Benbrook, Wilma Lee	14½	110.44		110.44
Mt. View, Arkansas				
Cooley, Carol Marie	21	114.55		114.55
Fayetteville, Ark.				
Cooley, David Newell	21	114.55		114.55
Fayetteville, Ark.				
Hood, Robert	32	248.00		248.00
Blytheville, Ark.				
Randle, James Thomas	25½	197.63		197.63
Marianna, Ark.				
Randle, Joseph Paul	25½	197.63		197.63

ALF A. EASON, Chairman

REPORT OF BOARD OF EDUCATION

Report No. 1

We are again able to report splendid progress at many points in our program of Christian Education. Fifteen Bible conferences have been held during the year, an increase in Vacation Church Schools, increased offerings on Church School Rally Day, one hundred twelve training enterprises with an enrollment of 4,000 and 2,967 course cards issued, an excellent Coaching Conference with thirty-six persons participating, four area institutes in September on Christian Education with many other local church and sub-district institutes during the year, eight well-attended district-wide institutes on Vacation Church School work, an outstanding Conference-wide Youth Rally held in April, a two-day planning session on youth work held last November, a three-day Camping Conference at Shores Lake with twenty-eight attending, a large number of sub-district and district youth camps and assemblies along with the Conference-wide Youth Assembly, an emphasis on church school membership and attendance and cooperation in the Spiritual Life Missions, together with many local church, sub-district, and district programs have provided for continuous growth of leadership in Christian Education.

Studies have been made on church and church school membership, church schools not using Methodist literature, and on commitments to full-time service of youth in the Methodist Church.

The North Arkansas Conference was well represented in Jurisdictional programs: Leadership School at Mt. Sequoyah, Youth Conference and Workshop at Mt. Sequoyah, Jurisdictional Convocation of Adults in Tulsa, and the Jurisdictional Recreation Workshop in Norman, Oklahoma.

The June issue of the Christian Education Bulletin carries a detailed report on the many phases of the Conference cultivation program.

We recommend the following program for the Conference year of 1954-55:

That the month of September be Christian Education Month and that the Youth Emphasis be given special consideration at that time.

That the fall meeting of conference, district, and sub-district youth leadership be held on September 10 and 11, Hendrix College Campus for the promotion of Youth Emphasis.

That each local church be asked to make a prospect list for church school membership, set its own goal for membership increases, and report same to district superintendent by October 1, with statement of total church school membership prospects, and the number of these who are in the youth age; giving goal for youth membership increase, and total church school membership increase. That each church school give a membership report to the Board of Education on November 1, 1954, and March 1, 1955.

That eight area institutes on Christian Education be held, one in each district, during the period of September 13-24, with provisions made for guidance of workers in the various departments of the church school.

That Church School Rally Day be held September 26, with each church making a contribution to the district and conference program of Christian Education.

That each district be provided seventy-five percent of the amount of Church School Rally Day offering of said district, for Christian Education program within the district, under the direction of the District Staff and the Executive Secretary of the Conference Board of Education.

That the period of September 26-October 3 be observed as Christian Education Week.

That the major emphasis in children's work be: Conference Children's Workers' Meeting; the September district-wide meetings including emphasis on work in four departments of children's work; a district institute on Vacation Church School work in each district; special courses

for workers with children and increasing of children's membership in church schools.

That the major emphasis in adult work be improving the Adult Home Program; encouraging the organization of Young Adult Fellowships, in the local churches and in the sub-district; the sub-district meetings of adult presidents and teachers; the introduction of the new cycle of adult Bible studies; and the promotion of Family Life Conference to be held in Cleveland, Ohio, October 8-10., 1954.

That each district have regular meetings of district staff and that local churches make Commission on Education an effective commission.

That provisions be made for a special coaching period on the one unit plan of camping with Intermediates.

That a Coaching Conference for the preparation for persons for training enterprises be held.

That local churches be encouraged to conduct one-unit training schools in the early fall on such courses as: How to Teach in the Church School, Ways of Teaching, Christian Education in the Local Church, Educational Work of the Small Church, etc.

That a Conference-wide Youth Rally be held on the Hendrix College Campus, Friday, April 1, 1955.

That the November Special for Ministerial Training and Hendrix College be held the week of October 24-31, 1954.

That local churches seek to enroll the finest high school students in Hendrix College, and that pastors be asked to provide Hendrix College with the names of juniors in high school.

That we seek to decrease the number of church schools in the North Arkansas Conference not now using Methodist Church School materials.

That we continue the emphasis on Bible conference, Vacation Church Schools, Youth Activities Week and Assemblies, Sub-District organizations, Local church and area institutes, local church and area training schools, literature cultivation, and cultivation for special days as designated by the General Conference.

That we cooperate with each of our student centers in urging local churches to cooperate with the pastors and churches at college centers in our conference, both by helping to relate the students to the college church and in sharing financially with those churches.

That we seek to enrich our local church youth program through the development of more adult leaders of youth, through improvement of youth programs in the local church, through strengthening the faith of youth, and through leading our youth to a greater dedication for Christ.

That the Board of Education cooperate with other conference agencies as follows: with the Board of Evangelism in seeking to reach more people; with the Board of Lay Activities in the promotion of special emphasis on Stewardship; with the Board of Missions and the Woman's Society of Christian Service in strengthening the Missionary Cultivation throughout the conference; with the Commission on Vocations in enlisting youth for full time service in the training of our future ministry; with the Town and Country Commission in the total rural and small town educational program.

That a committee be set up by the Annual Conference to study proposals for Wesley Foundation work and to make recommendations to the next Annual Conference concerning a future program for this work; providing that this committee meet separately, on invitation, with a committee representing the college church in each of these college communities: Fayetteville, Russellville, Conway, Jonesboro: for the purpose of studying the specific proposals for such work.

We recommend to the Bishop and the Cabinet the appointment of Ira A. Brumley as the Executive Secretary of the Board of Education for the Conference Year of 1954-55.

Report No. 2A

Hendrix College

The Christian college is receiving increased and encouraging attention in America today. Its excellent work in liberal arts education in a Christian environment is more widely recognized as very valuable to all phases of our life. There is the promise of greater support of these colleges, that they might be helped in producing graduates with the greatest possible assets of intelligence, resourcefulness, and character.

Hendrix is a member of the newly organized Arkansas Foundation of Associated Colleges. In more than thirty states of America church-related and independent colleges are making a united appeal for budget aid. The Arkansas organization has a similar purpose of interpreting to the public the aims, functions, and needs of the seven member colleges. It is believed that the members will receive increased support for operations.

The year at Hendrix has been encouraging. Enrollment reached 466, twelve more than last year, and 80% of the group were Methodists. The class of 1954 numbered 79, and in the group were several seniors who won liberal scholarships for graduate study in the best universities of America. Ministerial students at Hendrix this year totaled 65, and there were 27 other life service students.

The \$600,000 Campaign is moving toward completion. With the valued assistance of Bishop Paul E. Martin, district superintendents, pastors and laymen, we can report cash receipts of \$230,222.39 and a substantial amount payable in pledges this year. This cooperative program for the support of faculty and staff salaries is a challenge to Arkansas Methodists. The General Education Board of New York has promised \$300,000, provided we raise an equal amount by the end of this year. Cash receipts must reach \$300,000 in 1954 if we are to qualify for the liberal grant from the New York agency.

We recommend that the united effort be continued to complete the Campaign. Let every pledge made in good faith be promptly paid; let friends who have not subscribed to this campaign have a chance to do so; let all of us who have made a contribution since the campaign began in 1952 measure our opportunity to "do more in '54."

Arkansas Methodists should provide greater annual support to the Hendrix budget. Expenses of operation continue to rise while budget support has remained about the same for several years. The General Conference of 1952 recommended a minimum goal for each annual conference of 50 cents per church member for schools and colleges. With the increase in membership of our churches, our record of giving shows a lower average. Last year in the North Arkansas Conference the record was 15 cents per member. Already there is evidence that churches will change this report. We urge all of our churches to place Hendrix College in their annual budgets for substantial annual assistance.

We strongly recommend the observance of Methodist Student Day in every church. The number of students at Hendrix who can receive National Methodist Scholarships depends upon collections we send to the department of Scholarships in Nashville. For the last three years only two of these scholarships have been awarded to Hendrix. We should have many more than this number every year. Let our churches give greater support to this worthy cause for the purpose of helping able and consecrated students who are definitely interested in the program of the church.

The November Special, a form of living endowment, has meant much to Hendrix for a number of years. We urge pastors to place greater stress upon this plan of annual giving.

Report No. 2B

We recommend the election of these trustees at Hendrix College, as nominated by the Executive Committee of the Board:

North Arkansas Conference Trustees:

Leslie E. Bryant of Clarksville to succeed Chas. W. Barnett, deceased, term to expire in 1955.

Robert E. L. Bearden of Conway to succeed C. M. Reves, resigned, term to expire in 1955

Trustees at Large:

Harvey C. Couch, Jr., to succeed himself, term to expire in 1960

E. J. Munn to succeed himself, term to expire in 1960

Marshall T. Steel of Dallas, Texas, to succeed Leslie E. Bryant, transferred to North Arkansas Conference group, term to expire in 1958.

Roy I. Bagley, Chairman

George Stewart, Secretary

Treasurer's Report, Conference Year 1953-54

Balance from Last Year		\$ 9,348.50
RECEIPTS: World Service	\$27,505.27	
Church School Rally Day	5,127.05	
Interest on \$4500 Savings and Loan	135.00	32,767.32
Total		\$42,115.82
DISBURSEMENTS:		
Hendrix College	\$10,000.00	
Wesley Foundation	2,150.00	
Historical Commission	150.00	
Executive Sec'y, Salary	6,000.00	
House Rent	900.00	
Travel	740.28	
Group Ins.	27.00	
Office Expense	3,503.88*	
Audit & Treas. Bond	31.50	
Bank Exchange	2.77	
Conference Cultivation	3,655.13	
Dist. & Local Church Cultivation	4,290.21	
Leadership School	498.76	
Travel, Board Members	155.00	
Arkansas Pastors' School	250.00	32,354.53
Balance in Treasury		\$ 9,761.29
*Office Expense Itemized as Follows:		
Office Supplies	\$ 759.97	
Postage	885.06	
Telephone & Telegraph	74.85	
Office Help	900.30	
Printing	560.27	
Typewriter Repairs & Mimeo.	30.50	
Typewriter Exchange	100.00	
Bond for Exec. Sec'y	5.00	
Insurance, Office Equipment	3.88	
Office Rent	120.00	
		3,439.83
Bal. in Fund, End of Year	112.67	
Bal. in Fund, First of Year	48.62	64.05

\$ 3,503.88

P. E. COOLEY, Treasurer

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF EVANGELISM**For the Year 1953-54**

Our Annual Conference had a large delegation of 39 persons at the World Methodist Convocation on Evangelism at Philadelphia, June 26-28, 1953. The Board of Evangelism appropriated \$1,600.00 to help defray the expenses of the District delegations to this Convocation.

Mr. Tom Richardson attended the Chicago Work Camp on Evangelism sponsored by the General Board of Evangelism. The work camp consisted of twenty selected youth from over the United States who for a period of one month made an intensive study of Evangelism.

In cooperation with the Arkansas-Louisiana Area and the South Central Jurisdiction we planned and conducted the Church and Church School Attendance Crusade, January 1-April 18, 1954. We helped to promote attendance and the "Give God A Chance Now Rally" at Little Rock, January 6, and tried to give guidance in setting up District Committees. We published at Board expense a detailed guide for the Crusade and Spiritual Life Mission.

At its 1953 Annual meeting the Annual Conference adopted plans for a Spiritual Life Mission. Responsibility for planning and promoting it was assigned to the Board of Evangelism. In addition to the detailed guide, the Board provided at its expense a Conference training meeting for District Superintendents and District Directors of Evangelism, at Conway, January 19, directed by Dr. Eugene E. Golay. We also provided for every pastor of Conference a copy of Thomas' "The Holy Habits of the Spiritual Life."

It is our conviction that the Attendance Crusade and Spiritual Life Mission stimulated interest and deepened the spiritual life of the membership of our churches. In all this concerted and demanding program we had the complete cooperation of District Superintendents, District Directors, pastors and key laymen.

We made available to the Districts \$1000.00 to be used in evangelistic work on extension points that could not adequately provide for an evangelist, or for expenses of evangelism within the District not otherwise provided for. Only \$225.00 of this was used.

RECOMMENDATIONS for the year 1954-55

1. We recommend that every Charge accept the challenge of winning at least one person on Profession of Faith.
2. We recommend that every Charge have a program of visitation Evangelism.
3. We recommend that every Charge have a Preaching Revival.
4. Let the Invitation to Christian Discipleship be given at the close of each preaching service.
5. Let the promotion of the Family Altar be an important part of the program of each Church. Let each pastor urge the use of the Upper Room and Bible reading.
6. Bring membership and constituency records up to date, in accord with disciplinary provisions.
7. We recommend continued cooperation with the jurisdictional and general evangelistical program of the Church.
8. We recommend that the Reverend Brady Cook be given the appointment as general evangelist, to be assisted by his sister, Miss Irene Cook.
9. That the Board of Evangelism cooperate with the other Conference agencies, the Board of Education, the Board of Lay Activities, the Board of Missions, the Town and Country Commission, and all other boards.
10. The Board of Evangelism upon request will provide Leadership and finance for Christian Witness Missions within the Methodist Student Movement and the Methodist Youth Fellowship on a District or Conference level.
11. We recommend the re-appointment of Paul M. Bumpers as Conference Director of Evangelism.

Treasurer's Report, Conference Year 1953-54

Balance from Last Year		\$6,253.44
RECEIPTS: World Service	\$1,330.87	
Paid on Visitation Supplies	614.40	1,945.27
Total		\$8,198.71
DISBURSEMENTS:		
Conference Dinner, 1953	63.00	
Conference Preacher, 1953	300.00	
Expense Delegates to Phila. Meeting	1,600.00	
Audit and Treas. Bond	7.50	

District Evangelism (2 Districts)	225.00	
Visitation Supplies	1,236.42	
Board Expense and Travel	526.91	3,958.83
Balance in Treasury		\$4,239.88

P. E. COOLEY, Treasurer

BOARD OF HOSPITALS AND HOMES

Report No. 1

The annual reports of the Methodist Hospital and the Methodist Children's Home have been before us. These institutions have been found to be in excellent condition.

The calendar year 1953 saw the Methodist Hospital with an occupancy rate remaining at a very high level. Many people seeking hospitalization were denied this because of crowded conditions. If the capacity is not increased some patients will not receive the necessary or required care or service.

Courtesy discounts have been limited and many classifications of professional discounts have been eliminated entirely. All of the employees of the Methodist Hospital are required to carry Blue Cross or some other type of hospital insurance. Student nurses being admitted to the school this fall are being required to carry their own Blue Cross Insurance.

After a year's operation the new Intern and Resident Training Program with a part time director, we are happy to report that the program is turning out successfully.

Golden Cross offerings have slowly but steadily increased over the past years and we are hopeful that the offerings will increase gradually in the future.

We would like to recommend: (1) that the apportionment for the Hospital be \$3,600.00, (2) that Golden Cross week be the week after the first Sunday in May and that the offering be taken on Mother's Day, (3) that Byron McSpadden be appointed as director and given the authority to appoint two assistants, (4) that all the Golden Cross offering be given to the Methodist Hospital except that which is collected in Paragould.

We recommend the election of the following trustees from this Conference: Clerical: Hubert E. Pearce, John A. Womack; Lay: J. Frank Fogleman, James H. Crain, H. K. Barwick, Jr., and Mrs. Tom Tucker.

T. T. McNeal has led the Methodist Children's home to another successful year. The Home has administered to 61 and at the present have 44 children in residence. Another cottage is under construction and with its completion 12 or 13 more children can be added to the Home.

The Christmas offering was little more than a year ago, but every charge in the State with the exception of two made an offering for the Home.

In February of this year, our property was taken into the city limits of Little Rock. This should lessen the cost of utilities and make our property more desirable.

We recommend that Alf Eason and Alfred Knox be elected to the Board of the Arkansas Methodist Children's Home for a period of three years.

We should like to recognize and express appreciation for the work of our Chaplains in the Veterans Administration Hospitals of our State, including Gilbert Hyde and Bates Sturdy at the State Sanatorium, recommend their appointment to these positions, of those who belong to our Conference.

Respectfully submitted,
The Board of Hospitals and Homes
Earle Cravens, Chairman
Byron McSpadden, Secretary

Report No. 2

"Where There Is No Vision The People Perish"

WHEREAS: for 32 years the Boards of Trustees and Managers of Methodist Hospital in Memphis have conducted and developed the Hospital's facilities to the present capacity of 300 beds—valued conservatively at \$5,000,000; and

WHEREAS: during these thirty-two years the North Arkansas Conference has been called upon only once, 1922, to join efforts with the other owning conferences to provide funds for capital expansion and development; and

WHEREAS: the hospital facilities for Memphis and the area are so woefully inadequate that daily many scores of people are unable to receive necessary hospital care for maintenance of and restoration to health; and

WHEREAS: the Boards of Trustees and Managers have, at the urgent request of the Hospital's medical staff, given careful study and consideration to a development and expansion program to increase facilities by adding approximately two hundred (200) beds, making it possible to care for at least 30,000 patients annually instead of 18,000 as at present; and

WHEREAS: these Hospital Boards after due consideration and full consultation with the Bishops, Cabinets and Chairmen of the Conference Boards of Hospitals and Homes of the Memphis, North Arkansas and North Mississippi Conferences have unanimously approved the projection of a campaign during the latter part of 1954 and early 1955 to raise a minimum of \$2,500,000 for this expansion and development program — provided this campaign be approved by the respective Conferences with the understanding that the amounts to be sought for this purpose in a united appeal will be undertaken on some such basis as the following:

Memphis Conference	\$ 750,000
North Arkansas Conference	400,000
North Mississippi Conference	350,000
City of Memphis outside of Methodist Circles and other sources	1,000,000
Total	<u>\$2,500,000</u>

and;

WHEREAS: the proper authority in the City of Memphis has approved the Hospital's Boards' request for a campaign period in the City of Memphis for January and February 1955; now

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: that in response to the spirit which prompted the founding of Methodist Hospital in Memphis in 1922, and which has ever since been its dominating motive; namely, to serve suffering and needy humanity in the name of Jesus Christ, we the members of the North Arkansas Conference heartily endorse the proposed united appeal as previously outlined; and

FURTHERMORE, we pledge our active cooperation and assistance to undertake to secure contributions totaling a minimum of \$400,000 throughout this Conference with the further provision that 50% or \$200,000 become the objective for the Churches of the 8 districts and that the other 50% or \$200,000 be secured through large gifts, and respectfully recommend and urge all Churches and Charges of this Conference to unite their prayers, efforts and gifts to achieve a great victory for this outstanding institution of our Church in the Mid-South; and

FURTHERMORE, we recommend to Bishop Martin that he appoint at an early date a representative Methodist Hospital Campaign Committee for this Conference. We suggest for his consideration that the Committee be composed of at least the District Superintendent, one layman and one woman from each District to cooperate with the Hospital's Boards and Committees and those of the other related Conferences in

the organizing, developing and conducting of this campaign; and

IN CONCLUSION, this North Arkansas Conference earnestly requests all its members to remember this great project for God's Kingdom in daily prayer that He will bless and guide it in accordance with His will, that the Methodist Church may seize this great opportunity to meet this outstanding vital challenge in a manner which will glorify His Kingdom and serve in His Name for generations to come.

The North Arkansas Conference in adopting this resolution is making as a part of it the following schedule of District distribution for the \$200,000 referred to above to be raised in the 8 Districts:

Batesville	\$12,000
Conway	20,000
Fayetteville	13,000
Fort Smith	25,000
Forrest City	50,000
Jonesboro	50,000
Paragould	15,000
Searcy	15,000
Total	<u>\$200,000</u>

Treasurer's Report, Conference Year 1953-54

	Board of Hospitals & Homes	Golden Cross
Balance from Last Year	\$ 9,094.48	\$ 259.45
RECEIPTS: Conference Treasurer	9,094.48	5,294.50
Totals	\$9,094.48	5,553.95
DISBURSEMENTS:		
Methodist Hospital, Memphis	4,302.11	5,294.50
Methodist Children's Home, Little Rock	3,115.37	
Chaplain Salary, T. B. Sanatorium	1,650.00	
Chaplain Group Ins. Prem. Sanatorium	27.00	
Audit and Treas. Bond.		9.50
Expense, Board Members		71.72
Total Disbursements	<u>9,094.48</u>	<u>5,375.72</u>
Balance in Treasury	0	178.23

P. E. COOLEY, Treasurer

CONFERENCE BOARD OF LAY ACTIVITIES

June 18, 1954

Report No. 1

The General Conference of 1952 recommended that Stewardship of Possessions be emphasized during this quadrennium, with the tithe as the minimum standard of giving for Methodist people. The General Board of Education, the General Board of Lay Activities, and the Commission on Promotion and Cultivation were given the responsibility of developing and promoting such a program.

The Stewardship of Possessions program will be one of church-wide cultivation and promotion. The tithe will be presented as a means of grace and not as a legalistic procedure. The method of calculating the tithe and its manner of distribution will be left up to the individual's enlightened conscience. The tithing covenant will become a covenant between an individual and his God. Exemplary leadership will be indispensable at all levels of the organization.

Each annual conference will have a Conference Director, who will work with the bishop and his cabinet. Each district will have a District Director, who will work with the district superintendent in promoting the District emphasis and in training the local church or charge Directors. Each local church or charge is to have a Local Church Director, a Promotion Chairman, and a Training Chairman.

The Conference Directors will train the District Directors. The District Directors will train the local church Directors, Promotion Chairmen, and Training Chairmen in the local church, and how to train those who will be doing home visiting to secure commitments for tithing.

So that all Methodists of the North Arkansas Conference may be made aware of the Christian concept of stewardship and its expression in the tithe; be it resolved that this Annual Conference endorse and adopt the Stewardship of Possessions program as outlined in the "Handbook of Information," and that all District Superintendents, Pastors, Lay Leaders, Teachers, and Local Church Officials give themselves without stint to the furtherance of the Church's Stewardship program.

Report No. 2

WE RECOMMEND THE FOLLOWING OBJECTIVES FOR LAYMEN FOR THE YEAR 1954-1955:

1. Organize Methodist Men's Clubs in 50 churches. Put the METHODIST LAYMAN magazine into the hands of all our laymen.
2. Set up programs in all our clubs which will emphasize;
 - a. Training for church leadership,
 - b. The Church's world-wide program and our share in it,
 - c. Stewardship of possessions,
 - d. Father-son relationships,
 - e. Community responsibilities as Christian citizens.
3. Continue the program of Lay Speaking under direction of the District Superintendents. All Lay Speakers promote the full Church program in their services.
4. The Stewardship emphasis of this conference year is largely our responsibility. We must support this program sincerely and actively in all our churches.

Respectfully submitted,
Charles A. Stuck, Conference Lay Leader
Joe S. Pierce, Secretary Pro Tem.

Treasurer's Report, Conference Year 1953-54

Balance from Last Year	\$ 803.13
RECEIPTS: World Service	\$591.51
*Refund, Peace Seminar Expense	150.00
Total	1,546.64
DISBURSEMENTS:	
Travel Expense, Conf. Lay Leader	267.42
Travel Expense, Others	114.09
Promotion Expense	50.50
8 Dist. Stewardship Packages	200.00
*Peace Seminar Expense (Refunded)	150.00
Audit & Treas. Bond	4.50
Board Luncheon, 1953	67.50
Flowers, Nellie Dyer	5.10
Total	859.11
Balance in Treasury	\$ 687.53
P. E. COOLEY, Treasurer	

BOARD OF MISSIONS AND CHURCH EXTENSION

General Recommendations

Because of our growing concern for the development of a program of Missions that will prove challenging and inspiring to every Church in our Conference, we recommend the following:

- I. A District Missionary Institute, in each of the Eight Districts, and that such promotion be Coordinated into the general program of the District Missionary Secretaries of the several Districts and the Conference Missionary Secretary to provide the following emphasis:
 1. We sincerely urge the using of missionary personnel both National and World Missions representatives, who have recently returned from their respective Mission fields.

2. The presentation of the Advance Special program, both General and Conference Specials, seeking to promote at least one "Advance Special" in each of the Districts.
3. To Display and Demonstrate the new Audio-Visual materials for the cultivation of the total missionary task of the Church.
- II. That the Missionary Secretaries (District) be charged with the responsibility of coordinating the program of cultivation for the "World Outlook" in the period immediately following the District Conferences.
- III. That Martin Bierbaum be appointed Conference Missionary Secretary.
- IV. That Golder Lawrence, Fred Roebuck and W. Henry Goodloe be elected as the Sub-Committee to implement the findings of the Urban Life Conference in our Conference.
- V. That Raymond Franks, the Chairman of the Church Extension Section, be elected to make Research and Survey of Newton County under the direction of the Town and Country Commission Executive Secretary; and that \$50 plus additional \$100 for Survey Expenses be allocated from the promotional expense of the Board of Missions.
- VI. That the Chairman of the Board of Missions be empowered to select persons to direct Surveys of the Twin Lakes Area of Bull Shoals and Norfolk looking forward to the development of a larger Missions program in this Area.
- VII. That the Chairman be empowered to select persons to direct Survey to determine the Urban needs of the developing section of the new population area of West Memphis.
- VIII. That the Board of Missions provide scholarships for the Chairmen of the Commission on Missions in the local churches of the Conference to attend the Jurisdictional Workshop on Missions at Mt. Sequoyah, July 9-11, on the following basis: Fayetteville and Fort Smith Districts, \$5; Other Districts \$10. We further, recommend that the Local Churches provide the additional expense for attending workshop.

We would recognize the growing concern of our Church for the needs of the "displaced persons" who have migrated to our cities and are being left without ministry and without "concern." We call attention to the findings of our first Convocation on Urban life—"All America seems to live on wheels . . . 1 in every 5 of our population changes residence within a year. The city environment is prone to produce 'a hard shell of indifference' and difficult to penetrate and cope with . . . Yet . . . underneath the hard shell of indifference of the 20 to 50 percent of the city-dwellers who have no nominal relationship with any church . . . , and of the 'migrant millions on wheels' there is the lonely heart and hungry soul. This, too, constitutes the "Missionary Program" of our Church.

General Appropriations

Promotional Expense and Travel		
Conference Missionary Secretary	\$	200.00
District Missionary Secretaries		200.00
Missionary Conference, Mt. Sequoyah		400.00
Executive Committee, Travel and Expense		300.00
Treasurer's Audit		50.00
Secretary of Church Extension		200.00
Research and Survey		500.00
Emergency Fund	300.00	\$2,150.00
Missions Section		
Batesville District:		
Asbury		150.00
Calico Rock		400.00
Cave City Ct.		200.00
Mt. Home Parish		300.00
Viola Ct.		200.00
		1,250.00
Conway:		
Waltreak		100.00

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Naylor Ct.	175.00	
Rose City, North Little Rock	1,200.00	
Sylvan Hills, North Little Rock	400.00	1,875.00
Fayetteville District:		
Madison County No. 2	300.00	
Wesley, Springdale	1,400.00	1,700.00
Fort Smith District:		
Huntington	200.00	
City Heights, Van Buren	200.00	
Glover Memorial, Fort Smith	600.00	1,000.00
Paragould District:		
Mammoth Springs	600.00	
Hardy	300.00	900.00
Conference:		
Migrant Workers	500.00	500.00
Total		\$7,925.00
Church Extension Section		
Evening Shade, Batesville	100.00	
S. Joe, Searcy	50.00	
Oak Ridge, Batesville	300.00	
City Heights, Van Buren, Fort Smith	500.00	
Bergman, Searcy	200.00	
Corinth, Batesville	100.00	
Peach Orchard, Paragould	400.00	
St. Paul, Fayetteville	300.00	
Altus, Fort Smith	300.00	
Harvey's Chapel, Paragould	400.00	
Ramer's Chapel, Paragould	400.00	
Paragould, East Parish	450.00	
Lorado Ct., Paragould	450.00	
Pleasant Plains, Batesville	500.00	
Total		\$4,675.00
Transferred to Permanent Loan Fund		2,000.00
GRAND TOTAL		\$6,675.00
Loans: Conference Board of Church Extension		
Oak Ridge, Batesville	600.00	
City Heights, Van Buren, Fort Smith	1,500.00	
Altus, Fort Smith	500.00	
Pleasant Plains, Batesville	1,500.00	
Total		\$4,100.00

Respectfully Submitted,
Vernon Chalfant, Chairman
Ralph Hillis, Secretary

General Recommendations:

1. We recommend that the entire proceeds from the "First Call" of the Thousand Club be appropriated to the Rose City Church, North Little Rock, Conway District.

2. That the second call for the Thousand Club be made for July 1, 1954; and that an intensive effort be made to complete the goal of one thousand members in order to achieve the results originally intended.

3. We recommend that every Church include in its program for this year the following special opportunities for participating in the church's concern for the great human needs around the world:

a. World Communion Day for The Fellowship of Suffering and Service.

b. Week of Dedication

c. Korean Special in the fall of 1954 for building and rehabilitation of Methodist properties in Korea.—In cooperation with the recommendation of the Council of Bishops.

4. We recommend that Glen F. Sanford be appointed as the Superintendent of the Department of Town and Country Work, Division of Home Missions and Church Extension of the General Board of Missions and Church Extension.

Respectfully submitted,
Vernon Chalfant, Chairman
Ralph Hillis, Secretary

MINUTES NORTH ARKANSAS CONFERENCE

Treasurer's Report, Conference Year 1953-54

MISSIONS

Balance from Last Year		\$ 6,828.11
RECEIPTS: World Service (60%)	9,715.56	
Division of Home Missions	6,900.00	16,615.56
Total		\$23,443.67
DISBURSEMENTS:		
Refund General Board, Newton County	1,912.68	
Refund General Board, Paragould Dist.	666.67	
Pastors' Salaries: Madison County	2,750.00	
Newton County	1,800.00	
Others	8,550.00	
Audit & Treas. Bond	31.50	
Cultivation & Promotion Expense	238.78	
Expense 2 Delegates, Urban Life Con.	204.14	
Other Travel Expense, Board	383.75	16,537.52
Balance in Treasury		\$ 6,906.15

CHURCH EXTENSION

Balance from Last Year		\$ 2,846.20
RECEIPTS: World Service (40%)	6,477.05	
Refund, Cherry Valley	25.00	6,502.05
Total		\$ 9,348.25
DISBURSEMENTS:		
Refund General Board, Lurton	\$ 200.00	
Grants: Elm Springs	100.00	
Oak Grove	200.00	
Tupelo	300.00	
Cedar Grove	200.00	
Cummins Chapel	500.00	
Cherry Valley	500.00	
Midway	250.00	
Caraway	500.00	
Wesley, Springdale	500.00	
Lake City	500.00	
Dean	400.00	
Desha	250.00	
Philadelphia	100.00	
Salem, Conway	400.00	
Washburn	200.00	
St. Francis	500.00	
Mt. Carmel	500.00	
Wild Cherry	200.00	6,300.00
Balance in Treasury		\$ 3,048.25

WOMAN'S SOCIETY OF CHRISTIAN SERVICE

The accomplishments that I am able to report this year have been made under the leadership of Mrs. Johnnie McClure and we are appreciative of the service she rendered in her years of consecrated service.

With the theme for the year "That the Kingdom of God may be Realized," our women were conscious of the fact that they themselves must first draw near with faith and thus the number of our prayer groups was increased with many good results. So many women now have regular prayer times; they are more willing to accept offices; in one society a full-time youth worker was secured, extra worship services in circuit churches have been made possible, several societies have been revitalized and much help was given in the Spiritual Life Missions.

Then, in order that young people might become aware of the needs of the world, four Missionary Project Tours were conducted. This enabled a large number of girls to see the work at first hand, to talk with deaconesses, field workers, Scarritt students, editors at Board of Education, etc. As a direct result of these tours, Sally Engles worked in the Imboden area, until June, and did a good work there. Others of the girls are very definitely deciding to prepare for work in foreign fields and Christian Vocations in the home fields.

There has not been a net increase in membership, even though we do have 1109 new members. In 302 societies and 105 Wesleyan Service

Guilds we have **14,496 members**. The total amount of money disbursed was \$78,987.00. This represents in a very tangible way that we want to make the Kingdom of God realized.

Mary Chaffin, our deaconess, doing rural work in IZARD County, has worked tirelessly this year. The people in the area love her, and we are justly proud of the work she is doing.

The women and girls in the Wesleyan Service Guilds surely deserve commendation. Their leisure time is limited, yet they take a good portion of that time to attend and work in the Guild, and this report could not be made without them.

Two Area Training Days were held with 99 of the 114 district officers attending. Over 2,000 local women attend district training days.

Most of our ministers are very cooperative and appreciative of the work being done in our Woman's Society of Christian Service and we want to pledge to them our cooperation as we enter in to the new year.

Mrs. E. G. Kaetzell, president.

BOARD OF TEMPERANCE

In an age of atomic energy and jet engines, it becomes more evident that men must have a clear and sane mind in order to survive. Scientific and medical reports indicate that the use of alcoholic beverages and other narcotics has no place in our society in such an age. Approximately 40,000 people are killed annually on the highways of our nation and police records indicate that at least one fourth of these are the result of the use of alcoholic beverages not to mention the hundreds of thousands who are maimed or injured through their use.

In order to combat the evils of this enemy to Christian living, the Church must seek to strengthen its educational program in this field if it is to help its people form sane and wholesome habits of Christian living. In 1952, our General Conference took steps in this direction by strengthening the work of the Board of Temperance. Dr. Caradine R. Hooton, secretary of the General Board of Temperance, planned and conducted the National Convocation Briefing Conference in Washington, D. C. October 14-16, 1953; and plans have been made to conduct a jurisdictional School of Alcohol Studies and Christian Action to be held at Mt. Sequoyah, August 23-27, 1954.

We commend all who in any way have and are giving leadership in seeking to combat the evils of the uses of alcoholic beverages and other narcotics and especially to Bishop Paul E. Martin, the chairman of the General Board of Temperance, Dr. Hooton and his staff; to the editors of our Church papers and church school literature; and to the pastors and laymen for their cooperation in the work.

Some accomplishments of the Board of Temperance of the conference during the year include sending the chairman of the board and district secretaries to the briefing conference in Washington in October which was an educational and inspirational experience for them and was helpful in promoting a more effective program of temperance education.

Commitment Day was given greater emphasis the past year according to reports. The work of The Arkansas Methodist and the double-page spread it gave preceding Commitment Day was helpful in this cause.

The work of the Board of Temperance was presented in each District Conference.

The projector and film "Vicious Circle" was used in a large number of churches in the conference.

Dr. George B. Robinson of the General Board was in our conference in March, April and May for a program of narcotic education in the high schools and churches of the Conway, Fayetteville and Fort Smith Districts. He was in 28 high schools and two colleges and presented a great program on the evils of narcotics to the youth of our communities.

The General Board of Temperance is planning to make a long-needed

abstinence film for special showing in churches, schools, clubs and on television. This film is to cost \$225,000. This money is to be raised by private and group solicitations. There are to be no quotas to churches, nor will there be requests for congregational collections. This program has been approved by the General Council on World Service and Finance, the Council of Bishops, and the General Radio and Film Commission of the Methodist Church, and we feel that this film will help solve many problems for youth and family groups.

We recommend:

1. Greater use of the projector and film, "Vicious Circle" and other visual aids in this field in the churches of our conference.

2. Greater emphasis be given Commitment Day, the 1st Sunday in December; that pastors order materials early and make plans to include the observance of this day in the Church program.

3. That all churches set up a committee on Temperance and put it to work;

4. That the chairman of the conference board, one district superintendent, and the district secretaries of temperance be sent to the Jurisdictional School of Alcohol Studies at Mount Sequoyah, Aug. 23-27; That these persons work with the secretary of the Conference Board of Education to become certified instructors and teach courses in this field in training schools;

5. That the Conference Board of Temperance cooperate with the Conference Board of Education and share one-half the cost of sending two young people to Delaware, Ohio, to attend the National Methodist School of Alcohol Studies for Youth, June 28-July 2;

6. That pastor and people unite in the campaign to make "Christmas Christian" by urging people to exclude all alcoholic beverages from use or gift lists during the Christmas season;

7. That the Conference Board of Temperance promote an essay contest in this field in the youth division of our Church school and that 1st, 2nd and 3rd place winners on a conference level be used in a special program during the next annual conference;

8. That pastors and people note and give support to national legislation in this field, such as the Langor Bill S3294, which will come up for hearings Monday, June 21, writing their congressman and senators.

9. That the Churches make use of the Chart by Dr. George B. Robinson and that pastors cooperate with the District secretaries of Temperance in the educational work by arranging for assemblies in the high schools of their communities in which the evils of narcotics will be presented to the youth of our schools.

10. That the conference Board of Temperance be given no less than the 1½% which was allowed last year, for its work during the coming year.

11. That the tentative budget be;

(1). Expence of Film Director to Delaware, Ohio	\$100.00
(2). Exp. of Chm. Dist. Supt. and Dist. Secretaries to Jurisdictional School of Alcohol Studies, Mt. Sequoyah	360.00
(3). Expense of Youth to Delaware, Ohio	75.00
(4). The Temperance League of Arkansas	600.00
(5). Miscellaneous: Postage, charts, literature, projector maintenance, film repair, telephone and telegraph, etc.	175.00
(6). For prizes to district and conference winners	180.00
Total	\$1,490.00

Respectfully submitted,
Thomas R. Whiddon, Secretary
Raymond Dorman, Chairman

RESOLUTION

RESOLVED, That the North Arkansas Conference of The Methodist Church, in Annual Session, in Batesville, Arkansas, does, on this 17th

day of June, 1954, urgently request the Interstate and Foreign Commerce Committee of the U. S. House of Representatives to give favorable action on H. R. 1227, by the late Congressman Joseph R. Bryson, and to work for its adoption by the U. S. House of Representatives, to prohibit the interstate advertising by newspapers, magazines, radio, television, etc., of alcoholic beverages.

RESOLVED, That this same Annual Conference does, on this same date, make urgent request to the Interstate and Foreign Committee of the U. S. Senate to give favorable action on S.3294, by Senator Langer, and to work for its adoption by the U. S. Senate, to prohibit the interstate advertising by newspapers, magazines, radio, television, etc., of alcoholic beverages.

RESOLVED, That a message embodying the above Resolution be telegraphed today to the Chairman of the Interstate and Foreign Commerce of the U. S. House of Representatives, and that the same message be telegraphed today to the Chairman of the Interstate and Foreign Commerce Committee of the U. S. Senate.

RESOLVED, That our Bishop and District Superintendents, pastors, laymen and women be asked to telegraph or write letters to their Congressmen and to both Senators, urging favorable action on and work for the two above-mentioned proposed measures, which are identical.

Treasurer's Report, Conference Year 1953-54

Balance from Last Year		\$1,379.97
RECEIPTS: World Service	\$1,109.10	
*Refund Expense to Washington	212.87	1,321.97
Total		\$2,701.94
DISBURSEMENTS:		
Audit and Treas. Bond	4.50	
Ark. Temperance League	600.00	
*Expense to Washington (see refund)	600.00	
Film	56.00	
Insurance, Proj. & Film (2 years)	19.06	
Board Expense and Travel	50.99	
Display, Arkansas Methodist	15.00	1,345.55
Balance in Treasury		\$1,356.39

P. E. COOLEY, Treasurer

TOWN AND COUNTRY COMMISSION

During the Conference Year of 1953-54, the Town and Country Commission has continued its program of wide-range service with its Executive Secretary helping to fill the pulpit of a charge left to be supplied, assisting in preaching missions, giving guidance and assistance in building programs, and helping plan and promote a district-wide simultaneous revival in the Batesville District, and with the Executive Secretary also serving as District Superintendent during the last half of the year.

Our Commission was honored when its Executive Secretary, J. Albert Gatlin, was selected by Emory University and The Progressive Farmer as the rural minister of the year in the State of Arkansas.

The Commission made a change in its leadership during the year when its Executive Secretary, J. Albert Gatlin, was appointed District Superintendent of the Paragould District and when A. N. Storey was appointed to the double responsibility of Executive Secretary of the Town and Country Commission and District Superintendent of the Searcy District.

Although Brother Storey has given a major part of his time to the responsibilities of the District, the Commission has continued its program in a commendable way.

Some new group ministries have been formed during the year and are functioning effectively, and the Board of Lay Activities has promoted its program of Lay Speaking through these groups.

During the months of April and May, the Commission sponsored

and promoted a series of Stewardship Institute, conducted by J. Edwin Kieth, Director of Stewardship in the Little Rock Conference. At least one institute was conducted in each district over a six-week period. These institutes were very helpful both from the standpoint of preparation for the stewardship emphasis and also in promoting a program of finance for the local church.

As our program for the conference year 1954-55, we make the following recommendations:

1. The continuation of our Workshop Program with the student pastors in Hendrix College.

2. That the Town and Country Convocation postponed from May 17th be held Thursday, October 14th, 1954, at Eli Lindsey Memorial Church in the Paragould District.

3. That there be a general meeting of the Town and Country Commission at Conway, January 4th and 5th, 1955.

4. That our Executive Secretary devote a major part of his time to churches that request his help in developing and promoting a program of finance and that he make a trip to Chicago to study the program of the Board of Lay Activities in relation to its program of stewardship.

5. That we continue to cooperate with the Board of Lay Activities in its lay speaking program.

6. That we continue the promotion of the Group Ministry Plan in natural areas.

7. That we continue to cooperate with all agencies and groups of the church working in rural areas.

8. That A. N. Storey be appointed Executive Secretary of the Town and Country Commission for the church year 1954-55.

Floyd G. Villines, Chairman

David P. Conyers, Secretary

Budget for the Town and Country Commission 1954-55

Executive Secretary's Salary	\$ 6,000.00
Executive Secretary's House Rent	900.00
Office Expense	1,200.00
Travel Expense	1,800.00
Printing	300.00
Travel Expense for Commission Members	250.00
Travel expense for Executive Committee	100.00
Work Shop	200.00
Total	\$10,750.00

Floyd G. Villines, Chairman

David P. Conyers, Secretary

Treasurer's Report, Conference Year 1953-54

Balance from Last Year	\$ 1,919.46
RECEIPTS: World Service	\$9,538.20
Conference W. S. C. S.	300.00
Conference W. S. C. S. Youth Fund	100.00
Refunds	8.00
	9,946.20

Total

\$11,865.66

DISBURSEMENTS:

Executive Sec'y: Salary, House Rent, Travel & Office Expense, 7 Months	5,425.00
Balance on 1953 Conference Dinner	25.00
Workshop Equipment & Expense	202.85
Printing & Office Supplies	194.88
Travel & Expense, Ex. Sec., 5 Months	120.40
Hendrix, Rent	15.00
Oil Painting	100.00
Office Equipment	560.06
Audit & Treas. Bond	10.50
J. Edwin Keith, Salary & Expense	425.00
Board Expense, Conway Meeting etc.	217.48
	7,296.17

Balance in Treasury

\$ 4,569.49

P. E. COOLEY, Treasurer

COMMITTEE ON GROUP INSURANCE**Report No 1—Group Life Insurance****Recommendations:**

1. Every member of the North Arkansas Conference, except students serving appointments in conferences, which themselves have compulsory insurance programs, every approved supply receiving an appointment, and every fulltime lay employee of the North Arkansas Conference shall participate in the North Arkansas Conference Group Insurance Plan, subject to its laws and regulation.

2. Annual premiums shall be paid by charges and participants at the premium rate of 50c per thousand per month for participants and 75c per thousand per month for charges.

a. Annual Payments:

Pastors receiving less than \$1,000 salary	\$ 6.00
Charges paying less than \$1,000 salary	9.00
Pastors receiving 1,001-3,000	12.00
Charges paying 1,001-3,000	18.00
Pastors receiving 3,001 and up	18.00
Charges paying 3,001 and up	27.00

3. Annual premiums shall be paid by participants and charges, and be collected through district organizations.

4. District treasurers of the fund shall send the district reports and premiums to the conference treasurer by February 1, 1955.

5. No man who retired before February 18, 1948, even though he has served as a supply since, shall be eligible for insurance.

6. Members of the conference who retire will have \$1,000 insurance carried for them with the premiums paid by the North Arkansas Conference Group Insurance Fund.

7. Approved supplies whose annuity claims are approved by the conference will have \$1,000 insurance carried for them with the premiums paid by the North Arkansas Conference Insurance Company.

8. Members of the North Arkansas Conference who are left without appointment to attend school, who do not serve a charge, shall carry \$1,000 insurance and pay the annual premium of \$6.00 and the North Arkansas Conference Group Insurance Plan shall pay the remaining \$9.00

9. Those who are not now participating in our Group Insurance Plan who will be participating under the provisions of this report shall pay $\frac{1}{2}$ of the annual premium according to above schedules by July 1, 1954. of the premium.

10. The dividend returned to the North Arkansas Conference by the Metropolitan Insurance Company this past year was \$3,359. The balance in the group insurance fund at the end of the 1953-54 Conference Year is \$16,640.38.

Report No. 2**Hospitalization Insurance**

Eight dollars per day available for room and board for 70 days or a maximum of \$500 for each period of hospital confinement due to different causes.

You use the hospital of your choice; benefits good in any hospital in the United States or Canada.

In addition to room and board, \$160 is available for each different disability for all special services charged for by the hospital. These charges include operating room, ambulance, X-ray, drugs, etc. All services except special nurses.

Insured ministers pay the first \$25 of all hospital charges, both room and board and special services, and insurance plan pays the excess up to the maximum outlined above. This is known as a \$25 deductible plan.

With the exception of maternity, all pre-existing disabilities are

covered, for both ministers and their dependents, provided they enroll on or before the effective date of the plan.

\$200 surgical insurance for any and all operations. Benefits range from \$10 to \$200 depending on the kind of operations. A complete list and the amounts payable will be on the policy.

Maternity benefits consist of a flat payment of \$100 in lieu of all other benefits under the plan. Caesarian sections pay \$150 and miscarriage up to \$50.

No minimum time requirement for hospital benefit for emergency care as result of an accident or for confinement for a surgery. An 18 hour confinement is required in the case of sickness.

Surgical benefits are payable no matter where the operation is performed.—The hospital, the doctor's office or at home.

Identical benefits available for dependents as for the minister.

For insurance purposes dependents are defined as a wife of a male minister and all unmarried children over 14 days and under 19 years of age.

The plan will become effective after 75% of all eligible ministers have enrolled and dependent benefits will become effective at the same time provided 75% of all ministers have enrolled for their dependents.

No medical examinations for those who enroll on or before the effective date of the plan.

More detailed descriptive material will be sent you at the time of enrollment.

	Cost
Minister only	\$2.11
Minister with children only	6.23
Minister with wife only or wife and children	7.23

We recommend that each district superintendent appoint an individual or a committee in his district to secure enrollment of pastors in Group Hospital Insurance plan, and work out the details for collection of premium payments.

We recommend that the enrollment period begin immediately and extend 90 days beyond July 1, 1954. The insurance will become effective when 75 per cent of the active conference members, approved supplies serving charges, and students left without appointment to attend school shall be enrolled.

Respectfully submitted,
Paul Lanier, Secretary
Lee Cate, Chairman

WORLD SERVICE AND FINANCE COMMISSION

We recommend:

1. That our Conference accept as our quota on World Service the amount apportioned by the General Council of World Service and Finance, which is \$73,117.00.

2. That the sum of \$73,117.00 be apportioned for Conference Benevolence, and that this fund be divided as follows:

	Percentage	Amount
Board of Education	37.16	\$27,171
Board of Missions	21.86	15,984
Town and Country Commission	12.89	9,425
Hospital and Homes	12.29	8,985
Christian Literature	5.53	4,044
Board of Evangelism	1.58	1,156
Ministerial Training .....	.99	724
Temperance	1.37	1,000
Lay Activities .....	.80	585
Area Methodist Information	2.33	1,700
World Peace .....	.50	366
Conference Expense	2.70	1,974
	100.00	73,117

3. That the askings for World Service and Conference Benevolence be apportioned to the several districts as follows:

BATESVILLE	\$ 14,170
CONWAY	18,294
FAYETTEVILLE	16,141
FORREST CITY	19,068
FORT SMITH	23,208
JONESEBORO	22,695
PARAGOULD	16,700
SEARCY	15,955
	<u>\$146,234</u>

4. That our Conference accept as its quota on General Administration Fund the amount of \$3,195; for Jurisdictional Expenses the amount of \$5,665; for Interdenominational Co-operation the amount of \$2,556; and for Television Ministry the amount \$2,240. That these funds be apportioned to the several districts as follows:

District	General Jurisdictional Interdenominational Funds	Television Ministry	Total
BATESVILLE	\$ 1,108	\$ 217	\$ 1,325
CONWAY	1,411	270	1,681
FAYETTEVILLE	1,323	257	1,580
FORREST CITY	1,446	294	1,740
FORT SMITH	1,811	364	2,175
JONESEBORO	1,776	359	2,135
PARAGOULD	1,279	241	1,520
SEARCY	1,262	238	1,500
	<u>\$11,416</u>	<u>\$2,240</u>	<u>\$13,656</u>

5. That each District Superintendent be paid an annual salary of \$6,000 with \$1,800 for office and travel and promotional expenses, making a total of \$7,800. That each church in our conference pay to the Conference Treasurer for the District Superintendent's Fund an amount equal to 10 per cent of the salary paid the pastor.

6. That the working basis of the District Superintendent's Fund remain at the figure \$15,000.

7. That the conference take note of the splendid work done again this year by our Conference Treasurer. That Mr. P. E. Cooley be paid \$4,200 this next year. That the Treasurer deduct for Conference expense 2.7 per cent of all General and Conference Benevolences handled by him with the exceptions for the Board of Conference Claimants and November Special, for Hendrix College, and the Children's Home and Church School Rally Day Offerings, and Advance specials, which shall be promoted, handled and directed as in previous years. That the Central Treasurer be Bonded for \$75,000.

8. (1) That the Minimum Salary be paid according to the following table:

Ministers	Minimum Salary	Maximum to be Received
Students-Single	\$1500	\$400
Students-Married	1800	500
Fulltime-Single	2100	500
Fulltime-Married	2400	600

(2) Also that \$25 be paid for each dependent child under 18 years of age provided that all supplementary salary received from all other sources be considered in the total salary of any minister beings assisted by the minimum salary plan with the exception of the Pastor's Expense Fund.

(3) That the Combined Charge program be discontinued except where it is impossible to do so immediately. Otherwise combined charges may draw from the Minimum Salary Fund according to the former

Plan for combined charges for a period not to exceed two years.

(4) That no pastor be eligible to receive Minimum Salary until he and the charge which he serves pays the designated percentage according to the schedule of payment into the minimum salary fund. That each person to receive funds shall fill out and sign the Minimum Salary questionnaire which may be secured from the District Superintendent.

(5) That the Conference Treasurer present a mimeographed report showing the standing of all ministers with reference to this fund, beginning at the next session of the annual conference.

(6) That we continue payment into the Minimum Salary plan according to the following schedule:

Salary	Pastor	Church
\$0-2000	$\frac{1}{2}\%$	$1\frac{1}{2}\%$
2001-3000	1	2
3001-4000	$1\frac{1}{2}$	$2\frac{1}{2}$
4001-up	2	3

(7) That monies received from the local churches, from the Board of Missions, from the Minimum Salary Fund and from all other sources be considered as a part of the total salary upon which the ministers shall pay the above percentages. Church will also pay the above percent on the basis of the actual salary paid the pastor. However ministers are not expected to pay Minimum Salary on Pastor Expense Fund. It is not expected that churches pay minimum salary on mission appropriations or pastor's expense fund.

(8) That we recognize the necessity of the minimum Salary Program of assistance for churches partially supporting themselves. But that we also recognize that this assistance should not be permanent and furthermore that churches receiving such assistance be strongly encouraged and guided to become self-supporting.

(9) That we accept as our share in the Methodist Television Ministry the sum of \$2,240. That our conference cooperate in carrying out this program of promotion and cultivation.

(10) That the conference secretary receive an amount up to \$75 for expenses incurred in the Conference Secretary's office at conference.

(11) That in view of the world's needs and demands upon the churches for leadership, our conference under the direction of the cabinet, Town and Country Commission and in cooperation with other conference agencies continue to plan to promote a definite financial program in all churches.

(a) By stressing through preaching and teaching in stewardship of time and talents and possessions and that the tithe be the minimum basis for all giving for all Christians.

(b) By holding financial clinics in each district wherein methods, procedures and motives be studied.

(c) By further seeing that local church leaders receive help and encouragement in planning and promoting a sound financial system, preferably the unified budget including necessary specials and that an every member pledge campaign become a regular part of the financial program.

(12) That the North Arkansas Conference continue to recognize the disciplinary right of pastoral charges to pay pastors an amount not to exceed \$600 for a pastor's expenses, incurred in his work of the parish in accord with Paragraph 829 of the 1952 Discipline. The attention of the Conference is called also to the fact that this enabling act was passed by the General Conference primarily for the purpose of relieving circuit pastors of undue hardship caused by excessive traveling required to cover the extended territory of such charges. It is urged that charges include and report all compensation for pastoral support and expense under column in the Conference Journal headed "Paid for Minister" as done this year.

(13) That the World Service and Finance Commission further encourages the Board of Education to give special consideration to the need for Wesley Foundation Buildings in our Conference.

(14) That each church in our conference pay to the Conference Treasurer for Conference Claimants an amount equal to 16 per cent of the salary paid to the pastor. The ministers appointed by the conference and serving within the conference shall contribute to the Conference Claimants Fund an amount equal to the following percentages of their salaries:

\$ 1.00-\$2000 pay ½ per cent
2001.00- 4000 pay 1 per cent
4001.00-and up pay 1½ per cent

(15) That the Commission on Promotion and Advance be encouraged to help people understand the desperate need for increased World Service Giving. That a sum of \$400 from the Conference Expense Fund is available for use by this commission for its work.

(16) That the First National Bank of Blytheville, The Peoples National Bank of Jonesboro, Farmer's Bank and Trust Co., of Blytheville, First National Bank of Batesville, Batesville Federal Savings and Loan Association, and the Cross County Bank of Wynne be the Depositories for all Conference funds.

(17) That the auditing of all Board books and Conference accounts be done at Blytheville by Evans and Johnson C. P. A., and that such audit be of receipts and disbursements.

(18) That an amount equal to \$50 be used from the District Superintendent Fund for travel and expense of each District Superintendent to Area meetings.

(19) That in view of the great contribution which Hendrix College is making to our church and state we continue to support its program in every way possible and that the officials of Hendrix under the leadership of President Matt L. Ellis and Dr. C. M. Reeves be authorized to encourage continual support to Hendrix College through special opportunities available in current campaign.

(20) That all annual conference boards and agencies take note of Paragraph 807 of the 1952 Discipline, which reads as follows: "No Annual Conference Board or interest, such as a school, college, university or hospital shall make a special conference-wide appeal to the churches for funds without the approval of the annual conference except in the case of extreme emergency when such approval may be given by two-thirds vote of the District Superintendents and of the conference commission on World Service and Finance acting jointly."

When application is made to the conference for privilege of a special conference wide financial appeal, whether by special collections, campaigns, or otherwise, the application shall be referred to the Commission, on World Service and Finance before final action is taken thereon. The commission shall investigate the application and its possible relation to other obligations of the conference, and in the light of the facts make recommendations to the conference for its action and determination. Such application for privilege of a special appeal may be made directly to the commission for recommendation to the annual conference."

(21) That \$2400 be allotted for the printing and delivering of conference Journals and that an additional \$200 for pre-journal digest. We report:

1. That the percentage for the Episcopal Fund approved by the General Conference is an amount equal to 2% of the pastors salary.

2. That the Treasurers handling funds of the Conference, Boards and Commissions have been adequately bonded during the past year by a blanket Bond from the Home Indemnity Company amounting to \$25,000 and that our Conference Treasurer is Bonded for \$75,000.

(3) That the 1952-53 books of the following treasurers have been audited in June-July 1953 by the Evans and Johnson C. P. A.; P. E. Cooley, Conference Treasurer and Harold Womack, Board of Conference Claimants.

(4) That we continue to approve action of the annual conference with reference to the recommendation concerning the Board of Tem-

perance and recommend that pastors open their pulpits to representatives of the Temperance League and accept offerings. Furthermore, that special cooperation be given to the Board of Temperance in the producing films that will enhance the program of the Board.

(4) We endorse the plan for the Thousand Club which is being promoted by the Board of Lay Activities. Furthermore, it is urged that full cooperation and support be given to the Stewardship Program which is being sponsored and conducted by this Board.

(6) We wish to express our appreciation to Mr. P. E. Cooley, our Conference Treasurer, for the wonderful co-operation he has given to the Boards and Commissions during the year and we wish to express our appreciation for the most efficient way he handles the Conference Funds.

Respectfully submitted,
Harold Eggensperger, Chairman
Elmo Thomason, Secretary

Report No. 2

We recommend that the North Arkansas Conference authorize the World Service and Finance Commission call a meeting during the month of February at which all Boards and Agencies shall report on their work and make requests for funds for the ensuing year. These requests to be carefully studied and a mimeographed report be sent to each pastor two months prior to Conference, containing the recommendations to be presented by the World Service and Finance Commission at the Conference session.

This would enable all laymen and pastors to set up budgets in the local churches with these financial recommendations in mind.

Furthermore that any request for additional finances or approval of a financial campaign after this February meeting will be considered only upon request of the Bishop and the Cabinet or request from General Commission on World Service and Finance.

REPORT OF THE TREASURER

TO THE NORTH ARKANSAS CONFERENCE OF THE METHODIST CHURCH FOR THE CONFERENCE YEAR 1953-54 (June 11, 1953 to June 7, 1954)

	Balance 6-11-53	Receipts (Incl. 1953 Post Conf.	Disburse- ments	Balance 6-7-54
World Service	\$ 0.	\$ 71,942.62	\$ 71,942.62	\$ 0.
Conference Boards:				
Education	9,348.50	32,767.32	32,354.53	9,761.29
Missions	9,674.31	23,117.61	22,837.52	9,954.40
Hospitals and Homes	0.	9,094.48	9,094.48	0.
Christian Literature	53.79	4,458.52	4,512.31	0.
Evangelism	6,253.44	1,945.27	3,958.83	4,239.88
Ministerial Training	9,606.26	5,508.02	6,205.88	8,908.40
Temperance	1,379.97	1,321.97	1,345.55	1,356.39
Lay Activities	803.13	743.51	859.11	687.53
Town and Country Commission	1,919.46	9,946.20	7,296.17	4,569.49
Area Methodist Information	0.	1,012.98	1,012.98	0.
World Peace Committee	0.	369.71	291.59	78.12
Conference Claimants	0.	113,546.00	113,546.00	0.
District Superintendents	17,711.59	63,947.34	62,616.00	19,042.93
Minimum Salary	21,330.89	23,909.16	29,115.82	16,124.23
Episcopal Fund	0.	12,328.58	12,328.58	0.
General Administration	39.50	3,175.98	3,195.00	20.48
Interdenominational Co-operation	24.28	2,548.87	2,556.00	17.15
Jurisdictional Administration	51.73	5,196.79	5,223.00	25.52
World Communion	0.	5,097.51	5,097.51	0.
Week of Dedication	0.	5,357.73	5,357.73	0.
Advance, General	0.	16,797.86	16,532.70	265.16
(Wesley Foundation)	0.	6,133.04	6,133.04	0.
Advance, (1000 Club)	1,070.00	2,780.00	0.	3,850.00
Conference (Other)	250.64	6,280.65	6,531.29	0.
Golden Cross	259.45	5,294.50	5,375.72	178.23
Methodist Youth	0.	1,720.20	1,720.20	0.
Race Relations	0.	4,045.54	4,045.54	0.

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Student Day	0.	720.01	720.01	0.
Conference Group Insurance	16,159.97	12,134.48	11,654.07	16,640.38
Conference Expense	5,196.94	7,625.83	9,170.54*	3,652.23
City Road Chapel, London	0.	350.00	350.00	0.
Miscellaneous	0.	2,605.77	2,605.77	0.

Totals\$101,133.85 463,824.05 465,586.09 99,371.81

*Conference Expense Itemized as Follows:

Treasurer's Salary	\$3,900.00
Office Rent	180.00
Telephone	12.77
Treasurer's Bond Premium	106.32
Audit, 1953	?
Printing, Postage, Supplies	272.88
Expense, Commission Members	121.27
Expense, 1953 Conference (N. Dyer & Mimeo)	57.62
Promotion & Advance Committee	800.00
Refund Expense, Wesley Found. (Prior Years)	499.18
Exchange Typewriter	100.00
Statistical Secretaries, 1954	440.00
Printing 1954 Conference Reports	2,400.00
Mimeo. Pre-Journal Reports	200.00

\$9,170.54

In addition to receipts accounted for, I have vouchers from the General Treasurer at Chicago for:

World Communion	212.80
Board of Temperance	98.12
American Bible Society	18.37
Week of Dedication	71.00
General Advance Specials	3,882.55

\$4,282.84

Which funds did not pass through my hands.

My accounts are being audited by Evans & Johnson, C. P. A.
P. E. COOLEY, Conference Treasurer

REPORT OF METHODIST INFORMATION ON PUBLIC RELATIONS

TO THE COMMISSION ON METHODIST INFORMATION ON PUBLIC RELATIONS:

Gentlemen,—

Herewith I submit my report for your approval of the Methodist Information on Public Relations for the period of June 15, 1953 to June 15, 1954.

Inasmuch as the records of the office consists of the Book of Receipts, Bank Statement for each month, check book and vouchers and duplicate deposit slips, I have limited my report to an accounting of these together with the Financial Statement as of June 15, 1954.

In verification of Disbursements, I have examined the stubs of the check book, all canceled checks and have found them properly entered.

In verification of all receipts, I have examined all duplicate receipts in the office, and all Bank deposits and statements. All recorded receipts have been properly accounted for.

Respectfully submitted,
Joe A. Goetz
Auditor.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT, METHODIST INFORMATION

ARKANSAS-LOUISIANA AREA

For Period June 15, 1953-June 15, 1954

Balance in Peoples National Bank, June 15, 1953\$ 964.00

RECEIPTS

General Commission on Methodist Information	\$1,500.00
Little Rock Conference	976.60
North Arkansas Conference	1,012.98
Louisiana Conference	1,000.00

\$4,489.58

\$5,453.58

DISBURSEMENTS

Equipment & Furnishings	\$ 77.55	
Office Rent	300.00	
Travel	532.68	
Salaries:		
Rev. Ewing T. Wayland	\$ 825.00	
Miss Georgia Daily	2,819.68	\$3,644.68
Office Supplies and Stationery	257.10	
Petty Cash	20.00	
Postage	159.72	
Refund on Telephone	16.40	
Mat Service	166.12	
Photos	11.73	
Social Security	44.63	
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		\$5,230.61
Balance in Peoples National Bank June 15, 1954		\$ 222.97

BALANCE SHEET, METHODIST INFORMATION
ARKANSAS-LOUISIANA AREA
June 15, 1954

ASSETS:

Peoples National Bank	\$ 222.97	
Equipment & Furnishings	453.60	
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		\$ 676.57

LIABILITIES:

None

NET WORTH

 \$ 676.57

MINIMUM SALARY FUND REPORT

Conference Year 1953-54

CONTRIBUTED TO THE FUND

BATESVILLE DISTRICT

Charge	Amt.	Pastor	Amt.	Received from the Fund
Batesville, First	\$172.00	E. G. Kaetzell	\$120.00	\$
Central Avenue	98.00	David Conyers	64.00	
Bethesda-Cushman	15.00	Marvin A. Thompson	10.00	325.00
Calico Rock	7.75	C. W. Grisham		
Cave City-Sidney	5.00	W. F. Shell	8.75	500.00
Cave City Circuit	4.50	Ivan R. Wilson	19.50	625.00
Charlotte Circuit	2.00	T. O. Love		600.00
Cotter	75.00	W. L. Diggs	50.00	
Desha Circuit	21.75	Walter Abree	14.00	
Evening Shade Circuit	9.00	Carl Strayhorn		525.00
Meibourne Circuit	39.52	D. G. Hindman	25.00	
Moorefield-Asbury	37.80	B. W. Stalcup	28.00	
Mountain Home	75.00	B. C. Few	50.00	
Mountain Home Parish	8.00	Lee Anderson	5.00	
Mountain View	43.00	H. W. Jinske	26.25	
Newark	55.00	John S. Workman	36.00	
Newport, First	182.00	Guy C. Ames	130.00	
Umsted Memorial	80.00	M. L. Kaylor	50.00	
Pleasant Plains Circuit	18.00	Burnell Stephens	12.00	175.00
Salem	40.00	Maurice Lanier	26.25	
Swiftton-Alicia	58.50	Pryor R. Cruce	50.00	
Tuckerman	96.00	Golder Lawrence	64.00	
Viola Circuit	8.00	James Smith	10.00	600.00
Yellville	46.00	Theron McKisson	40.00	

CONWAY DISTRICT

Atkins	66.00	George Stewart	\$ 33.00	\$
Belleville-Havana	16.00	W. G. Connor	11.00	650.00
Bethel-Cato	9.00	Donald Smith		433.32
Conway, First	171.50	Joel Cooper	123.75	
Wesley Memorial	20.70	Ralph Ruhlen	12.00	
Danville	56.00	H. C. Minnis	34.00	
Dardanelle	117.50	C. H. Farmer	85.00	
Dardanelle Circuit		Frank Weatherford	5.00	575.00
Dover-London	24.00	Elvis Wright	12.00	
Fourche Valley Circuit	8.55	Davis Bilberry	5.40	400.00
Greenbrier Circuit	5.25	James R. Sewell	14.00	500.00
Morrilton	161.00	H. J. Couchman	115.00	

Charge	Amt.	Pastor	Amt.	Received from the Fund
Morrilton Ct. No. 1	4.00	Wm. Yarbrough	10.00	650.00
Morrilton Ct. No. 2	5.10	Allan Brockway	3.40	400.00
Mt. Carmel Circuit		(Edward Thompson		266.66
		(Gerald Hilton		166.67
Naylor Circuit	3.00	Charles W. Cook	7.00	375.00
North Little Rock, 1st	203.00	J. Wm. Watson	145.00	
Gardner Memorial	161.00	Irl Bridenthal	130.00	
Levy	84.00	Raymond Dorman	56.00	
Rose City		John F. Wilson	19.00	
Sylvan Hills	72.00	Luther K. Wilson	53.60	
Washington Ave.	129.50	I. L. Claud	92.50	
Ola Circuit	10.00	E. C. Sooter		300.00
Oppelo		Eugene Rushing	11.00	400.00
Perry-Perryville	28.00	George J. Kleeb	12.00	
Perry County Circuit		Robert Harris		400.00
Plainview	12.00	W. V. Walthal	13.00	250.00
Plumerville	2.00	Carl Williamson	11.00	575.00
Pope County Circuit	2.00	J. A. Newell	3.62	625.00
Pottsville	39.00	Wm. Hightower	5.00	
Russellville	182.00	Harold Eggensperger	130.00	
Salem	5.00	Jim Gatlin	5.00	
Vilonia Circuit		Joe E. Linam	6.00	400.00
Waltreak	1.00	J. M. Kitchens	1.00	

FAYETTEVILLE DISTRICT

Alpena-Omaha	\$ 4.00	C. S. Laster	\$	\$
Bentonville	119.00	Hubert E. Pearce	85.00	
Bentonville Circuit	14.00	W. C. Hutton	31.00	590.00
Berryville	98.00	Archie N. Boyd	64.00	
Brightwater	23.00	Fern Cook	10.00	
Centerton	33.00	Kenneth Hatfield		
Decatur	40.00	J. Hillman Byram		
Elm Springs-Harmon	48.00	Woodrow Woods	27.00	
Eureka Springs	75.00	Charles W. Lewis	50.00	
Farmington Circuit	6.00	A. L. Riggs	11.00	600.00
Fayetteville, Central	245.00	(D. L. Dykes, Jr.	175.00	
		(Jack S. Winegeart	62.00	
Wiggins Memorial	84.00	Arnold Simpson	56.00	
Gentry	48.00	Worth Gibson	29.00	
Goshen	24.00	O. L. Cole	10.00	
Gravette	40.00	C. H. Harvison	24.00	
Green Forest	50.00	O. W. Barbaree		
Lincoln-Summers	63.00	Wm. M. Wilder	47.00	
Madison County No. 1	19.00	Thomas A. Whiddon	36.00	
Madison County No. 2		L. L. Langston	20.00	600.00
Morrow-Evansville	2.00	Walter Pennel	7.00	600.00
Pea Ridge	19.00	O. R. Findley	19.50	350.00
Prairie Grove	75.00	S. O. Patty	50.00	
Rogers, Central	147.00	Vernon E. Chalfant	105.00	
Siloam Springs	147.00	John Bayliss	105.00	
Springdale, First	158.00	A. J. Christie	112.50	
Wesley	9.00	Jas. W. Workman Jr.	50.00	
Springtown-Highfill	8.00	Eugene Winkler		200.00
Sulphur Springs	35.00	Charles Wages	22.00	
Viney Grove Circuit	3.00	W. L. Scott		

FORREST CITY DISTRICT

Aubrey Circuit	\$ 43.00	J. C. Richey	\$ 24.00	\$
Brinkley	93.00	J. C. Wilcox	62.00	
Cherry Valley	42.00	W. B. Yount	8.00	
Clarendon	75.00	G. B. Ames	50.00	
Colt Circuit	22.00	Wm. G. Stegall		330.00
Cotton Plant	72.00	Ray L. McLester	48.00	
Crawfordsville	84.00	Jack W. Glass	56.00	
Earle	96.00	G. A. McKelvey	64.00	
Elaine	83.25	Glenn Bruner	58.00	
Forrest City	188.90	Raymond L. Franks	130.00	
Helena	182.00	E. B. Williams	130.00	
Holly Grove	55.00	O. M. Campbell	33.00	
Hughes	119.00	James R. Chandler	85.00	
Hunter	22.00	James C. Trice	4.00	
Marianna	153.50	W. O. Scroggin Jr.	109.80	
Marion	140.00	Alf A. Eason	100.00	
Marvell-Lexa	55.00	Porter Weaver	33.00	
Parkin	84.00	H. F. McDonal	25.00	
Vandale	44.00	A. L. Peterson		
West Helena	84.00	J. J. Decker	54.00	

MINUTES NORTH ARKANSAS CONFERENCE

Charge	Amt.	Pastor	Amt.	Received from the Fund
West Memphis	161.00	J. Ralph Hillis	115.00	
Wheatley	48.00	J. W. Moore	24.00	
Widener-Round Pond	55.00	D. P. Remaley	33.00	
Wynne	140.00	Harold D. Womack	100.00	

FORT SMITH DISTRICT

Alix Circuit	\$ 5.00	Troy Clinesmith	18.00	400.00
Alma-Mountain View	69.00	T. C. Chambliss	44.50	
Altus Circuit	10.50	Aaron Barling	12.18	350.00
Booneville	124.85	W. J. Spicer	92.91	
Branch Circuit	38.75	Jas. E. Thomas	47.50	750.00
Charleston	75.00	O. D. Peters	50.00	
Clarksville	147.00	Paul M. Bumpers	105.00	
Fort Smith, First	234.50	Fred G. Roebuck	167.50	
Goddard Memorial	182.00	Alfred A. Knox	130.00	
Fifth Street		Floyd G. Villines Sr.		
Glover Memorial		Roy Poyner		
Grand Avenue	66.00	Chas. B. Wyatt	44.00	
Massard	24.00	Earl V. Hughes	9.00	
Midland Heights	129.50	W. A. Downum	92.50	
St. Luke	35.00	Paul Kelley	30.00	
St. Pauls	115.00	Martin Bierbaum	85.00	
Greenwood	55.00	Verlie F. Harris	30.00	
Hackett Circuit		Mrs. Monroe Scott	11.15	600.00
Hartford-Midland	38.00	E. C. Hance	16.00	
Hartman Circuit	40.00	Earl B. Carter	24.00	
Huntington	7.00	M. L. Edgington	7.00	
Kibler-Bonanza	19.00	C. R. Nance	24.00	625.00
Lamar Circuit	17.88	Carl B. Adams		100.00
Lavaca	30.00	M. C. Bevens	5.00	
Magazine	22.20	John W. Sandage	31.60	125.00
Mansfield	40.00	W. T. Watson	18.40	
New Hope-Dyer	58.00	Uriah Smith	24.00	
Ozark	84.00	Chas. P. McDonald Jr.	56.00	
Paris	96.00	L. F. LaFevers	64.00	
Prairie View-Scranton	9.68	(Frank M. Roop Jr.		41.66
Van Buren, First	96.00	(Virgil M. Hainsey		312.50
City Heights-Bethel	20.00	J. H. Hoggard	60.00	
St. Johns	42.50	Felix Holland	14.00	
Waldron	96.00	Robert P. Sessions	25.50	
Waldron Circuit	10.47	O. J. Evanson	64.00	
Mulberry	33.00	Fred Thompson	4.40	600.00
		W. Leonard Byers	21.00	

JONESBORO DISTRICT

Bay-Pleasant Valley	\$ 30.00	W. P. Connell	\$ 32.50	\$300.00
Black Oak-Delfore	23.00	Hascle O. West	5.50	
Blytheville, First	217.00	Roy I. Bagley	155.00	
Lake Street	55.00	H. M. Sanford	30.00	
West Parish	16.00	J. H. Richardson	7.00	650.00
Bono Circuit	44.30	M. J. Pollard	25.00	650.00
Caraway	20.00	B. L. Wilford	10.00	
Dell	55.00	E. H. Hall	33.00	
Dyess-Whitton	25.00	W. W. Peterson		100.00
Harrisburg	96.00	J. T. Byrd	5.00	
Hickory Ridge-Fisher	79.00	Norris Steele	50.00	
Joiner	84.00	E. E. Stevenson	56.00	
Jonesboro, First	203.00	E. W. Dodgen	160.00	
Fisher Street	72.00	John W. Glover	32.00	
Huntington Ave.	96.00	Elmus C. Brown	64.00	
Keiser	40.00	John M. Harrison	24.00	
Lake City-Lake View	18.00	John H. Barrett	6.00	
Leachville	61.00	J. E. Linam	50.00	
Lepanto	147.00	Wm. A. Stewart Jr.	105.00	
Luxora	55.00	H. L. Robison	33.00	
Manila	96.00	N. Lee Cate	64.00	
Marked Tree	129.50	Alvin C. Murray	92.50	
Monette	81.00	Bennie Jordan	54.00	
Mt. Carmel-Calvary	8.00	W. L. Douglas	8.00	475.00
Nettleton	55.00	Clyde Crozier	38.00	
Osceola	147.00	G. C. Taylor	75.00	
St. John-Riverside	11.00	Jas. F. Weatherford	10.00	350.00
Trumann	96.00	A. W. Harris	35.00	
Turrell-Gilmore	40.34	Aubra O. Hays	24.00	
Tyronza	90.00	Thurston Masters	64.00	
Weiner	73.50	Arville Brannon	49.00	

THE METHODIST CHURCH

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Charge	Amt.	Pastor	Amt.	Received from the Fund
Weona-Centerview	18 00	Kenneth Renfroe	9.00	204.17
Wilson	84 00	Sam G. Watson	56.00	
Yarbro-Promised Land	30.00	Carl C. Burton		

PARAGOULD DISTRICT

Beech Grove	\$.50	A. E. McIlveene	\$ 23.00	\$675.00
Biggers-Knobel	36.50	W. Paul Lanier	33.00	
Black Rock	49.00	Gail Anderson	22.50	
Brookland	13.50	(W. B. Yount		(350.00
		(Alfred Blair	10.50	(133.33
Camp Ground	6.00	W. C. Smith		275.00
Corning	87.00	B. A. McSpadden	64.00	
Hardy	23.00	Geo. L. McGhehey	20.00	
Hoxie	4.00	W. T. Lingo	32.00	
Imboden-Smithville	22.00	Robert A. Simpson	25.50	
Leonard Circuit	45.38	Ray Burrow	27.00	
Mammoth Spring	33.00	M. B. Short	20.00	
Marmaduke	58.85	G. D. Hammett	18.00	
Maynard-Ravenden Springs	31.00	Lloyd Turner	33.00	900.00
Paragould, First	182.00	S. B. Wilford	130.00	
Griffin Memorial	84.00	J. H. Holt	56.00	
Paragould Circuit	17.00	Alvin Gibbs	27.00	300.00
Piggott	129.50	Jesse L. Johnson	92.50	
Pocahontas	129.50	Edwin B. Dodson	92.50	
Rector, First	96.00	J. M. Barnett	64.00	
Fourth Street	30.00	H. M. Sanford (Pd. J'boro Dist.)		300.00
Rector Circuit	10.00	Dave Smitherman		600.00
St. Francis-Wrights Chap.	17.00	Kern Johnson	26.00	675.00
Stanford-Lorado	25.50	Y. D. Whitehurst	31.50	900.00
Walnut Ridge	135.00	Elmo Thomason	87.00	
Williford-Harveys Chap.	2.00	A. E. Poindexter	2.25	175.00

SEARCY DISTRICT

Antioch-Stony Point	\$ 12.00	Cyril Wilson	8.00	275.00
Augusta	84.00	H. Lynn Wade	56.00	
Bald Knob	64.12	Pharis J. Holifield	48.00	
Beebe	88.00	Floyd G. Villines Jr.	63.00	
Cabot	57.00	J. J. Clark	46.00	
Clinton	70.00	J. L. Pruitt	33.00	
Deview Circuit	6.20	Eugene Shoemaker	5.00	312.50
Griffithville Circuit	7.00	Ray Edwards	6.50	425.00
Harrison	105.00	Earle Cravens	92.50	
Heber Springs	96.00	James E. Major	64.00	
Jacksonville	96.00	Harold Spence	64.00	
Judsonia	24.00	Albert W. Gibbs	8.00	
Kensett	33.00	(W. T. Johnson		
		(W. W. Albright		
Leslie	20.00	Travis Williams	10.00	
Marshall	27.00	Vann Hooker	24.00	
McCrary	75.00	W. M. Womack	42.00	
McRae	22.00	Robert Johnson	12.00	
McRae Extension	2.00	C. A. Simpson	2.00	
Newton County	4.00	(Walter Johnson		200.00
Pangburn Circuit	10.00	(Cecil Harrison	4.50	
		Harold Wilson	9.00	225.00
Quitman Circuit	18.55	John Chapman	4.00	575.00
Rosebud Circuit	13.86	Lloyd M. Conyers	117.00	
Searcy	165.75	Waymon Keel	13.00	300.00
Valley Springs	22.90	Bobby S. Edwards	10.00	500.00
Van Buren County No. 1	5.00	Dois Kennedy	10.00	400.00
Van Buren County No. 2	2.00			
Wilburn	2.75			

DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENTS

R. E. Connell	\$130.00	R. E. L. Bearden	\$130.00
W. F. Cooley	\$130.00	E. H. Hook	50.00
Otto W. Teague	130.00	W. Henry Goodloe	130.00
E. J. Holifield	130.00	J. Albert Gatlin	121.25
C. E. Whitten	65.00	A. N. Storey	130.00

MINUTES NORTH ARKANSAS CONFERENCE

Charge	Amt.	Pastor	Amt.	Received from the Fund
CONNECTIONAL MEN				
Bates Sturdy	\$ 87.50	James S. Upton	\$ 50.00	
Ira A. Brumley	130.00	A. W. Martin	100.00	
E. T. Wayland	135.00	Ewing Wayland	120.00	
V. E. Copes	20.58	E. J. Reaves	2.00	
Glenn F. Sanford	106.00			

SUMMARY

Two hundred twenty six preachers and two hundred twenty three charges contributed \$24,140.52 to the Minimum Salary Fund during the Conference Year. Sixty eight preachers were paid less than the minimum salary, and received \$29,115.82 from the fund. One hundred per cent was paid on deficits.

P. E. COOLEY, Conference Treasurer

PAYMENTS BY MINISTERS TO CONFERENCE CLAIMANTS FUND

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BATESVILLE DISTRICT

R. E. Connell, D. S.	\$90.00	T. O. Love, Charlotte	\$
E. G. Kaetzell, Bates, 1st	82.00	W. L. Diggs, Cotter	33.00
David Conyers, Central Ave.	40.00	Walter Abree, Desha Ct.	22.00
M. A. Thompson, Bethesda-C.	10.00	Carl Strayhorn, Eve. Shade	
C. W. Grisham, Calico Rock		D. G. Hindman, Melbourne	26.00
W. F. Shell, Cave City-Sid.	20.00	B. W. Stallcup, Mor.-Ash.	30.00
Ivan R. Wilson, Cave City Ct.	8.00	B. C. Few, Mtn. Home	33.00
Lee Anderson, Mt. Home Parish.	27.00	H. W. Jinske, Mtn. View	25.50
John S. Workman, Newark	32.00	Guy C. Ames, Newport 1st	90.00
M. L. Kaylor, Newport, Umsted.	34.00	Burnell Stephens, P. Plains	10.00
Maurice Lanier, Salem	25.50	Pryor R. Cruce, Swifton-A.	33.00
Golder Lawrence, Tuckerman	40.00	James Smith, Viola	9.00
Theron McKisson, Yellville	31.00		

CONWAY DISTRICT

R. E. L. Bearden, D. S.	\$90.00	Harold Eggensperger, Russ.	90.00
W. G. Connor, Belleville-H.	10.00	Donald Smith, Bethel-Cato	
Joel Cooper, Conway 1st	84.00	Ralph Ruhlén, Wesley Mem.	10.00
H. C. Minnis, Danville	30.00	George Stewart, Atkins	\$30.00
Frank Weatherford, Dard. Ct.	9.00	C. H. Farmer, Dardanelle	63.00
Davis Bilberry, Fourche Val.	6.70	Elvis Wright, Dover-London	10.00
H. J. Couchman, Morrilton	81.00	Jas. R. Sewell, Greenbrier	9.00
Wm. Yarbrough, Mor. Ct. No. 1	10.00	Edw. Thompson, Mt. Carmel	
Allan Brockway, Mor. Ct. No. 2	4.70	J. Wm. Watson, N.L.R. 1st	99.00
Irl Bridenthal, Gardner Mem.	84.00	Chas. W. Cook, Naylor Ct.	7.50
John F. Wilson, Rose City	13.50	Raymond Dorman, Levy	36.00
I. L. Claud, Washington Ave.	67.56	Luther K. Wilson, Syl. H.	34.80
Eugene Rushing, Oppelo	7.00	E. C. Sooter, Ola Ct.	
Robert Harris, Perry Co. Ct.		Geo. J. Kleeb, Perry-P.	10.00
Carl Williamson, Plumerville	8.00	W. V. Walthal, Plainview	21.00
Wm. Hightower, Pottsville		J. A. Newell, Pope Co. Ct.	7.63
Jim Gatlin, Salem	5.00	Joe E. Linam, Vilonia Ct.	5.00

FAYETTEVILLE DISTRICT

W. F. Cooley, D. S.	\$49.50	C. S. Laster, Alpena-Omaha	
E. H. Hook, D. S.	82.50	Hubert E. Pearce, Bent'vl	63.00
W. C. Hutton, Bent. Ct.		Archie N. Boyd, Berryville	40.00
Fern Cook, Brightwater	9.00	Kenneth Hatfield, Center	
J. H. Byram, Decatur	24.00	Woodrow Woods, Elm Spgs.-H.	26.00
Chas. W. Lewis, Eureka Spgs.	33.00	A. L. Riggs, Farmington	12.00
D. L. Dykes Jr., Fay. Central.	117.00	Arnold Simpson, Wiggins M.	36.00
Jack S. Winegeart, Fay. Central	39.00	Worth Gibson, Gentry	27.00
O. L. Cole, Goshen	10.50	C. H. Harvison, Gravette	24.00
O. W. Barbaree, Green Forest.		Wm. M. Wilder, Lincoln	31.50
Thomas A. Whiddon, Mad. Co. No. 1	32.00	Walter Pennel, Morrow-E.	8.00
L. L. Langston, Mad. Co. No. 2.	21.00	O. R. Findley, Pea Ridge	10.00
S. O. Patty, Prairie Grove	33.00	Vernon E. Chalfant, Rogers	75.00
John Bayliss, Siloam Spgs.	75.00	A. J. Christie, Springdale	79.50
Jas. W. Workman Jr., Wesley	33.00	Eugene Winkler, Springtown-H.	
Charles Wages, Sulphur Spgs.		W. L. Scott, Viney Grove	

FORREST CITY DISTRICT

Otto W. Teague, D. S.	\$90.00	J. C. Richey, Aubrey	\$22.00
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J. C. Wilcox, Brinkley	39.00	W. B. Yount, Cherry Valley	6.00
G. B. Ames, Clarendon	33.00	Wm. G. Stegall, Colt Ct	
Ray L. McLester, Cotton Plant	32.00	Jack W. Glass, Crawfordsville	36.00
G. A. McKelvey, Earle	40.00	Glenn Bruner, Elaine	37.00
Raymond L. Franks, For. City	90.00	E. B. Williams, Helena	90.00
O. M. Campbell, Holly Grove	30.00	James R. Chandler, Hughes	63.00
James C. Trice, Hunter	3.30	W. O. Scroggin, Jr., Marianna	78.20
Alf A. Eason, Marion	72.00	Porter Weaver, Marvel-L	30.00
H. F. McDonald, Parkin	36.00	A. L. Peterson, Vandalia	23.00
J. Ralph Hillis, West Memphis	81.00	J. W. Moore, Wheatley	24.00
D. P. Remaley, Widener-R. P.	33.00	Harold D. Womack, Wynne	72.00

FORT SMITH DISTRICT

W. Henry Goodloe, D. S.	\$90.00	Troy Clinesmith, Alix Ct.	\$18.00
T. C. Chambliss, Alma-Mt. V.	21.00	Aaron Barling, Altus Ct.	
W. J. Spicer, Booneville	71.11	Jas. E. Thomas, Branch Ct.	31.75
O. D. Peters, Charleston	33.00	Paul M. Bumpers, Clarksville	75.00
Fred G. Roebuck, Ft. Smith 1st	113.00	Alfred A. Knox, Goddard Memorial	90.00
Floyd Villines, Sr., 5th St.		Roy Poynor, Glover Memorial	
Chas. B. Wyatt, Grand Ave.	30.00	Earl V. Hughes, Massard	20.00
W. A. Downum, Midland Heights	67.50	M. C. Bevens, Massard	6.00
Paul Kelley, St. Luke	40.00	Martin Bierbaum, St. Pauls	105.00
Verlie F. Harris, Greenwood	30.00	Mrs. M. Scott, Hackett	9.57
E. C. Hance, Hartford	24.00	Earl B. Carter, Hartman	24.00
M. L. Edgington, Huntington	7.50	C. R. Nance, Kibler-Bon.	20.00
Carl B. Adams, Lamar Ct.		Dewey Dark, Jr., Lavaca	
John W. Sandage, Magazine	31.05	W. T. Watson, Mansfield	24.00
Uriah Smith, New Hope-Dyer	21.00	Chas. P. McDonald Jr., Ozark	36.00
L. F. LaFevers, Paris	40.00	V. M. Hainsey, P.V.-Scranton	
J. H. Hoggard, VanBuren 1st	40.00	Felix Holland, City Hts.-B.	22.00
Robert P. Sessions, St. Johns	25.00	O. J. Evanson, Waldron	40.00
Fred Thompson, Waldron Ct.	21.00	W. Leonard Byers, Mulberry	22.00

JONESBORO DISTRICT

E. J. Holifield, D. S.	\$90.00	W. P. Connell, Bay	\$30.50
Hascle O. West, Black Oak	8.75	Roy I. Bagley, Blytheville 1st	105.00
H. M. Sanford, Lake Street		J. H. Richardson, Blytheville West	7.50
M. J. Pollard, Bono Ct.	25.00	B. L. Wilford, Caraway	9.00
E. H. Hall, Dell	30.00	W. W. Peterson, Dyess-Whit.	10.00
J. T. Byrd, Harrisburg	67.50	Norris Steele, Hick. Ridge	23.00
E. E. Stevenson, Joiner	36.00	E. W. Dodgen, Jonesboro 1st	108.00
John W. Glover, Fisher St.	32.00	Elmus C. Brown, Huntington Ave.	40.00
John M. Harrison, Keiser	24.00	John H. Barrett, Lake City	
J. E. Linam, Leachville	33.00	W. A. Stewart Jr., Lepanto	75.00
H. L. Robison, Luxora	30.00	N. Lee Cate, Manila	40.00
Alvin C. Murray, Marked Tree	67.50	Bennie Jordan, Monette	35.00
W. L. Douglas, Mt. Carmel-C.	4.00	Clyde Crozier, Nettleton	30.00
G. C. Taylor, Osceola	105.00	James F. Weatherford, St. J.	10.00
A. W. Harris, Trumann	40.00	Aubra O. Hays, Turrell-G.	24.00
Thurston Masters, Tyronza	40.00	Arville Brannon, Weiner	49.00
Kenneth Renfro, Weona-C. V.	10.00	Sam G. Watson, Wilson	36.00
Carl C. Burton, Yarbrow-P. L.	15.00		

PARAGOULD DISTRICT

J. Albert Gatlin, D. S.	\$84.75	A. E. McIlveene, Beech G.	\$ 8.60
W. Paul Lanier, Biggers-K.	30.00	Gail Anderson, Black Rock	26.25
Alfred Blair, Brookland Ct.	7.65	W. C. Smith, Camp Ground	
Byron A. McSpadden, Corning	40.00	Geo. L. McGhehey, Hardy	21.00
W. T. Lingo, Hoxie		Robert A. Simpson, Imboden	25.00
Ray Burrow, Leonard Ct.	26.00	M. B. Short, Mammoth Spg.	25.00
G. D. Hammett, Marmaduke	14.50	Lloyd Turner, Maynard-R. S.	22.00
S. B. Wilford, Paragould 1st	90.00	J. H. Holt, Griffin Mem.	36.00
Alvin Gibbs, Paragould Ct.		Jesse L. Johnson, Piggott	67.50
Edw. B. Dodson, Pocahontas	67.50	J. M. Barnett, Rector 1st	40.00
Charles Holt, Rector 4th Street		Dave Smitherman, Rector Ct.	
Kern Johnson, St. Francis		Y. D. Whitehurst, Stanford	
Elmo Thomason, Walnut Ridge	68.00	A. E. Poindexter, Williford	5.12

SEARCY DISTRICT

C. E. Whitten, D. S.	\$45.00	Cyril Wilson, Antioch-S. P.	\$ 8.00
A. N. Storey, D. S.	90.00	H. Lynn Wade, Augusta	36.00
Pharis J. Holifield, Bald Knob	32.00	Floyd G. Villines Jr., Beebe	39.50
J. J. Clark, Cabot	31.00	J. L. Pruitt, Clinton	30.00
Eugene Shoemaker, Devew Ct.	6.00	Ray Edwards, Griffithville	9.00
Earle Cravens, Harrison	67.50	James E. Major, Heber Springs	40.00
Harold Spence, Jacksonville	40.00	Albert W. Gibbs, Judsonia	10.00
W. W. Albright, Kensett		Travis Williams, Leslie	9.00
W. T. Johnson, Kensett	11.50	Vann Hooker, Marshall	24.00

MINUTES NORTH ARKANSAS CONFERENCE

W. M. Womack, McCrory	36.00	Robert Johnson, McRae	10.00
C. A. Simpson, Newton Co.	30.00	Cecil Harrison, Pangburn	6.00
Harold Wilson, Quitman Ct.	9.00	John Chapman, Rosebud Ct.	8.87
Lloyd M. Conyers, Searcy	83.00	Waymon Keel, Valley Springs	21.00
Bobby S. Edwards, VanBuren No. 1 ..	5.38	Dois Kennedy, VanBuren No. 2	7.50
J. M. Talkington, Wilburn	7.50		

CONNECTIONAL MEN

E. T. Wayland	\$93.00	Ewing Wayland	\$84.24
Bates Sturdy	64.50	Ira A. Brumley	90.00
E. J. Reaves	10.00	Brady Cook	75.00
James W. Workman	101.00		

P. E. COOLEY, Conference Treasurer

BOARD OF MINISTERIAL TRAINING

Treasurer's Report, Conference Year 1953-54

Balance from Last Year \$ 9,606.26

RECEIPTS:

World Service	\$ 739.37		
Hendrix College, ½ Nov. Spl.	4,768.65	5,508.02	

Total

DISBURSEMENTS:

Board Expense	\$ 97.93		
Audit and Treas. Bond	9.50		
Scholarship & Travel, 5 men, S.M.U.	421.20		
Fees, Correspondence Courses, S.M.U.	376.00		
2 Scholarships, S.M.U.	800.00		
Basic Fees	4,501.25	6,205.88	

Balance in Treasury \$ 8,908.40

P. E. COOLEY, Treasurer

STATISTICS—METHODIST HOSPITAL

Methodist Hospital
Memphis, Tennessee
June 1st, 1954

Bishop Paul E. Martin and Brethren of the North Arkansas Conference:

As you can see from the statistical part of our report, the occupancy at Methodist Hospital remained at a very high level. In fact, we are rated at 300 patients and our average occupancy ran 302. This high rate of occupancy is very well from an income producing standpoint, but it makes it very difficult to serve the patient properly and to keep the plant and equipment in proper operating condition when it is running at its maximum capacity at all times. Many people seeking admission at hospitals were denied this because of the existing conditions in all of the hospitals in Memphis. It is unwise to operate above the rated capacity of an institution for very long because service facilities are designed just to take care of so many patients and when more than this number is crowded in, it means very likely that some patients will not receive the necessary or required care or service.

The year 1954 saw a continued but slight increase in the cost of operation. This gradual but continued rise in the cost of operation has been necessitated an increase of charges to the patient since 1952. We have tried to offset the continued increase in the cost by more efficient operation of the institution and limiting the amount of free and courtesy service that we have been rendering. This does not mean that we are decreasing the amount of service to those individuals who are needy and are not able to pay for the service.

Courtesy discounts have been limited and many classifications of professional discounts have been eliminated entirely. All of the employees of Methodist Hospital are required to carry either Blue Cross or some other type of hospital insurance. The doctors have voluntarily formed a group and are carrying Blue Cross. The new group of student nurses being admitted to the school this Fall are also being required to carry their own Blue Cross hospital insurance. All of these things have added together to help relieve the hospital of a tremendous load of free work for people who have been, or are, able to pay for the service by carrying some type of hospital insurance. With the help of the Conference Board of Hospitals and Homes, a Blue Cross-Blue Shield plan has been worked out in the three owning Conferences whereby the active ministers can be covered by a Blue Cross-Blue Shield plan. I am sure that after a few years of operation this plan will be satisfactory both to the individual policy holder and to the hospital. Any of these things that are new have problems and usually require several years to smooth out the rough spots and to eventually merge into a well working plan.

After a year's operation of our new Intern and Resident Training Program with a part-time Director, I am happy to report that the program is turning out successfully. This Educational Program is designed to keep the Interns and Residents well informed about the latest and best methods of patient care. Not only has this Educational Program improved patient care, but it has also been reflected in an increase in the number of medical graduates seeking an internship at Methodist Hospital.

I want to take this opportunity to thank the Conference for all the efforts that have been spent by the individual ministers in promoting Golden Cross offerings. Golden Cross offerings have slowly but steadily increased over the past years and I am hopeful that the offerings will increase at a higher rate in the future. This income

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from the members of the Methodist Church is very helpful in aiding the plan of service to those who cannot afford to pay for it, but who are in dire need of it.

Statistical hospital operations and contributions are on the following three pages of this report.

GOLDEN CROSS

	1951	1952	1953
North Arkansas Conference	\$ 4,998.28	\$ 4,532.53	\$ 5,164.22
Memphis Conference	15,559.72	15,427.16	16,656.53
North Mississippi Conference	3,710.78	5,027.22	6,037.64
	<u>\$ 24,268.78</u>	<u>\$ 24,986.91</u>	<u>\$ 27,858.39</u>
BENEVOLENCES			
North Arkansas Conference	\$ 3,483.99	\$ 2,881.54	\$ 4,157.90
Memphis Conference	6,280.69	6,198.63	7,987.53
North Mississippi Conference	1,549.84	1,688.40	1,806.68
	<u>\$ 11,314.52</u>	<u>\$ 10,768.57</u>	<u>\$ 13,952.11</u>
Total of Golden Cross and Benevolences			
North Arkansas Conference	\$ 8,482.27	\$ 7,414.07	\$ 9,322.12
Memphis Conference	21,840.41	21,625.79	24,644.06
North Mississippi Conference	5,260.62	6,715.62	7,844.32
	<u>\$35,583.30</u>	<u>\$ 35,755.48</u>	<u>\$ 41,810.50</u>

DONATIONS

Individuals, etc.:			
Other	\$ 225.00		\$ 710.00
Branch Hospital:			
Memphis Optical Dispensary		4,800.00	4,800.00
	1951	1952	1953
Non-pay Patients	\$151,905.34	\$157,054.33	\$149,995.65
Discounts—Church			
Courtesy and Professional	37,278.41	29,409.21	21,536.45
	<u>\$189,183.75</u>	<u>\$186,463.54</u>	<u>\$171,532.10</u>

The following table gives a comparison of the usual statistics for the past three years:

Admission	13,635	14,428	13,989
Births	3,191	3,256	3,359
Total of Above Two	<u>16,826</u>	<u>17,684</u>	<u>17,348</u>
Discharges	16,449	17,372	17,029
Deaths	372	313	305
Operations	10,599	10,640	10,298
Nursery days, Newborn	17,967	18,327	18,094
Non-pay, Adults	9,585	9,032	8,212
Pay and Part-pay days	79,471	82,726	83,820
Total Days' Treatment	<u>107,023</u>	<u>110,085</u>	<u>110,126</u>
Average Daily Population			
Adults	244.0	251.4	252.14
Newborns	49.2	50.2	49.58
	<u>293.2</u>	<u>301.6</u>	<u>301.72</u>
Average Days' Stay	6.4	6.2	6.3
Average Daily Admissions	46.1	48.3	47.5
Average Daily Discharges	46.1	48.3	47.5
Percentage of Deaths	2.21	1.77	1.76

ACCOUNTANTS' REPORT—METHODIST CHILDREN'S HOME

LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS

May 31, 1954

Board of Trustees
Methodist Children's Home
Little Rock, Arkansas

Gentlemen:

We have examined the books and records of the Methodist Children's Home, Little Rock, Arkansas, for the year ending May 31, 1954 and submit our report thereon as

indexed on the preceding page. We made an audit of the recorded cash receipts and disbursements for the year and directly verified cash in banks and United States Bonds owned at May 31, 1954.

In our opinion, the accompanying statements of cash receipts and disbursements present fairly the results of the operations of the Methodist Children's Home for the year ended May 31, 1954 in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles applied on a consistent basis.

Yours very truly,
R. A. Lile and Company

Little Rock, Arkansas
June 5, 1954

Exhibit "A"

METHODIST CHILDREN'S HOME OPERATING FUND

Statement of Cash Receipts and Disbursements

For the Year Ended May 31, 1954

RECEIPTS

Little Rock Conference		
Annual Offering	\$34,570.66	
Conference Treasurer	4,065.65	
Classes	122.40	
Churches	50.87	
Individuals	314.32	
Women's Society	9.75	
Vacation Bible School	64.08	
Estates	1,900.00	
Clothing	225.00	
Education	2,825.00	\$ 44,147.73
North Arkansas Conference		
Annual Offering	\$21,632.24	
Conference Treasurer	2,989.34	
Classes	127.63	
Churches	76.90	
Individuals	378.93	
Women's Society	13.00	
Vacation Bible School	20.36	
Clothing	3,407.37	
Education	715.15	29,360.92
Money from Relatives	\$ 2,850.00	
Reimbursements—Insurance	155.37	
Miscellaneous Receipts	363.05	3,368.42
Total Receipts		\$ 76,877.07
Cash in Twin City Bank—May 28, 1953	\$31,552.72	
Cash in Worthen Bank and Trust Company—May 28, 1953	17,886.11	
Petty Cash Funds—May 28, 1953	83.59	49,522.42
Total Funds to Account For		\$126,399.49

DISBURSEMENTS

Administrative Expense		
Salary—Director	\$ 7,200.00	
—Secretary	2,185.00	
Postage and Supplies	414.16	
Total Forwarded	\$ 9,799.16	
Total Brought Forward	9,799.16	
Promotion	1,460.79	
Travel Expense	1,749.07	
Insurance—Treasurer's Bond	62.50	
—Group	55.27	
Audit Expense	100.00	
Social Security	156.78	
Miscellaneous	87.39	\$ 13,470.96
Equipment and Maintenance		
Salary	\$ 1,200.00	
Insurance	569.13	
Repairs and Maintenance	608.00	
Equipment Purchases	1,208.85	
Furnishing Purchases	405.34	
Grounds	593.82	
Improvements—Grounds	589.32	
Miscellaneous	64.19	\$ 5,237.45
Care of Children		
Salaries	\$ 6,073.33	

Food	10,062.75	
School Lunches	1,761.45	
Clothing	2,219.65	
Supplies	1,038.00	
Laundry and Cleaning	874.06	
Education	1,006.30	
Car Fare	358.32	
Health	684.96	
Barber	45.50	
Shoe Repairs	159.97	
Children's Allowances	891.10	
Recreation	211.19	
Auto Expense	753.17	
Utilities	2,551.52	
Miscellaneous	186.59	28,878.36
Total Disbursements Forwarded		\$ 47,586.77
Total Disbursements Brought Forward		\$ 47,586.77
Cash in Twin City Bank—May 31, 1954	\$53,739.40	
Cash in Union National Bank—May 31, 1954	25,040.15	
Petty Cash Funds—May 31, 1954	33.17	78,812.72
Total Funds Accounted For		\$126,399.49
		Exhibit "B"

METHODIST CHILDREN'S HOME MEMORIAL FUND

Statement of Cash Receipts and Disbursements
For the Year Ended May 31, 1954

RECEIPTS

Little Rock Conference	\$ 1,741.00	
North Arkansas Conference	1,212.50	
Total Receipts		\$ 2,953.50
Cash in Worthen Bank and Trust Company—May 28, 1953		\$ 3,813.65
Total Funds to Account For		\$ 6,767.15
Cash in Union National Bank—May 31, 1954	\$ 6,767.15	
Total Funds Accounted For		\$ 6,767.15

Exhibit "C"

METHODIST CHILDREN'S HOME BUILDING FUND

Statement of Cash Receipts and Disbursements
For the Year Ended May 31, 1954

RECEIPTS

Cash in Twin City Bank—May 28, 1953	\$28,728.24	
Total Funds to Account For		\$ 28,728.24

DISBURSEMENTS

General Building Fund		
Architect's Fee—Cottage No. 5	\$ 2,384.73	
Total Disbursements		\$ 2,384.73
Cash in Twin City Bank—May 31, 1954		\$ 26,343.51
Total Funds Accounted For		\$ 28,728.24

Exhibit "D"

Statement of Cash Receipts and Disbursements—Total Funds

	Balance On Hand 5-28-53	Receipts for the Year	Disbursements for the Year	Balance On Hand 5-31-54
Operating Fund	\$49,522.42	\$76,877.07	\$47,586.77	\$ 78,812.72
Memorial Fund	3,813.65	2,953.50	0	6,767.15
General Building Fund	28,728.24	0	2,384.73	26,343.51
	<u>\$82,064.31</u>	<u>\$79,830.57</u>	<u>\$49,971.50</u>	<u>\$111,923.38</u>

Schedule "1"

MINUTES NORTH ARKANSAS CONFERENCE

Schedule of United States Bonds Owned

May 31, 1954

Date Purchased	Number	Cost	Maturity Value
December 1944	Q836165F	\$ 18.50	\$ 25.00
December 1944	Q836164F	18.50	25.00
December 1944	Q836150F	18.50	25.00
December 1944	Q836151F	18.50	25.00
December 1944	Q836156F	18.50	25.00
December 1944	Q836177F	18.50	25.00
December 1944	Q836155F	18.50	25.00
December 1944	Q836166F	18.50	25.00
December 1944	Q757865F	18.50	25.00
December 1944	Q870655F	18.50	25.00
December 1944	Q876036F	18.50	25.00
November 1944	Q757772F	18.50	25.00
January 1945	Q836256F	18.50	25.00
January 1945	Q836288F	18.50	25.00
January 1945	Q836289F	18.50	25.00
December 1944	Q836366F	18.50	25.00
May 1945	Q952144F	18.50	25.00
May 1945	Q952143F	18.50	25.00
July 1945	Q952444F	18.50	25.00
August 1945	Q1013254F	18.50	25.00
June 1945	Q952232F	18.50	25.00
October 1945	Q952729F	18.50	25.00
October 1945	Q952728F	18.50	25.00
January 1946	Q953109F	18.50	25.00
March 1946	Q953205F	18.50	25.00
May 1946	Q953289F	18.50	25.00
December 1946	Q953559F	18.50	25.00
November 1947	Q1184992F	18.50	25.00
December 1948	Q1178876F	18.50	25.00
May 1945	C1282411F	74.00	100.00
		\$610.50	\$825.00

STATISTICIAN'S REPORT

Dated: June 19, 1954

Item	Total	Increase	Decrease
GENERAL INFORMATION			
1. Number of Pastoral Districts	8	0	0
2. Number of Pastoral Charges	241	0	0
3. Number of Preaching Places	539	12	0
MEMBERSHIP			
1. Membership reported last year	99,249		
2. Received from Preparatory membership roll and on Profession of Faith	2,696	239	0
3. Received by Certificate and otherwise	3,781	523	0
4. Removed by Certificate, Death, otherwise	7,920	1,567	0
5. Number of Local Preachers	82	5	0
6. TOTAL FULL MEMBERSHIP this year	97,523	0	1,726
BAPTISMS			
1. Infants baptized	1,622	554	0
2. Others baptized	1,850	178	0
3. Baptized children on Preparatory roll	4,379	5	0
CHURCH SCHOOLS			
1. Number of schools	508	0	1
2. Number of Officers and Teachers	5,618	184	0
3. Nursery home members	2,454	13	0
4. Members in Children's division	17,517	40	0
5. Members in Youth division	12,487	187	0
6. Members in Adult Home Dept.	3,046	0	86
7. Members in Adult division	27,872	1,227	0
8. TOTAL CHURCH SCHOOL ENROLLMENT	69,243	1,714	0
9. Average attendance at Church School	33,303	1,404	0
10. Average attendance Sunday Evening fellowship	4,035	970	0
11. Average attendance additional meetings			
Children	1,902	0	1,853
Youth	3,748	103	0

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Item	Total	Increase	Decrease
Adult	2,086	84	0
12. Pupils enrolled in Vacation Ch. Sch.	10,059	432	0
13. Pupils enrolled in Week-day Ch. Sch.	442	58	0
14. Number of Pupils uniting with the Church on Profession of Faith	2,023	353	0
WOMAN'S SOCIETY OF CHRISTIAN SERVICE			
1. Number of Societies and Guilds	282	0	5
2. Membership of Societies and Guilds	14,222	54	0
METHODIST MEN			
1. Number of Chartered groups	53	4	0
2. Membership of Chartered groups	3,085	851	0
CHURCH PUBLICATIONS			
1. Arkansas Methodist (Conference organ)	10,568	2,532	0
2. Christian Advocate (General Ch. organ)	486	127	0

NOTE: All increases and decreases are comparisons with the Pastor's reports to the Annual Conference meeting in Fayetteville, Arkansas in June of 1953.

PROPERTY EVALUATIONS AND INDEBTEDNESS AND IMPROVEMENTS

Item	Total	Increase	Decrease
1. Value of Churches, equipment, and land ...	\$12,987,634	\$1,099,216	\$ 0
2. Value of Parsonages, furnishings, land	1,792,146	22,336	0
3. Value of other properties	358,291	88,596	0
4. Indebtedness on Churches, parsonages, and Current expenses	691,833	0	11,816
5. Paid on indebtedness	260,297	30,853	0
6. Paid Bldg. & Improvements	685,696	0	140,646
7. Paid on Church Current Expenses	544,228	13,123	0
8. Paid on Church School Administration	18,825	10,745	0
MINISTERIAL SUPPORT			
1. Pastor's salaries estimated	662,575	14,110	0
2. Pastor's salaries paid	666,638	24,142	0
3. Pastor's Travel expense paid	31,431	18,313	0
4. District Superintendent's fund appt.	65,910	2,604	0
5. District Superintendent's fund paid	65,308	2,925	0
6. Episcopal fund apportioned	12,743	1,687	0
7. Episcopal fund paid	12,839	1,757	0
8. Minimum Salary fund apportioned	28,800	8,480	0
9. Minimum Salary fund paid	23,033	2,888	0
10. Conference Claimants apportioned	111,790	6,896	0
11. Conference Claimants paid	111,180	6,688	0
AREA, CONFERENCE & DISTRICT ADMINISTRATION			
1. District Administration Fund paid	18,089	3,285	0
2. G.J.I. Fund apportioned	11,497	404	0
3. G.J.I. Fund paid	11,252	309	0

(General-Jurisdictional & Interdenom-
inational Cooperation Fund.)

WORLD SERVICE and CONFERENCE BENEVOLENCES

1. World Service apportioned	147,214	0	45
2. World Service accepted	148,041	3,089	0
3. World Service paid	147,041	3,508	0
4. World Service Special gifts	549	366	0
5. General Advance Specials	20,353	5,683	0
6. Week of Dedication	5,787	0	93
7. Fellowship of Service & Suffering	5,213	0	227
8. Conference Advance Specials	18,964	12,058	0
9. Woman's Society of Christian Service paid for local work	124,448	3,610	0
10. W.S.C.S. sent to Conf. Treas. WSCS	72,426	5,760	0
11. Methodist Student day	791	179	0
12. Church School Rally Day	5,192	317	0
13. Methodist Youth Fund	1,723	26	0
14. Race Relations Sunday	4,191	0	141
15. Hendrix College a. Pastor's reports	45,987	0	32,567
b. Hendrix College reports	50,817	0	764
16. Methodist Children's Home	22,679	0	5,635
17. Wesley Foundation	1,291	0	0
18. Golden Cross (Meth. Hospitals)	6,224	738	0
19. City and District Missions	739	117	0
20. All other benevolences	15,884	2,267	0
21. GRAND TOTAL for all purposes	2,925,647	0	15,163

ARKANSAS METHODIST CHILDREN'S HOME Little Rock, Ark.

1. Number of Homes for Children	1
2. Number of Officers and Supervisors	8

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3. Number of Children and Youth in the Home	61	
4. Value of Buildings and Land	\$400,000.00	
5. Cash in the Treasury—June 1st balance	\$111,890.21	
6. Cash values of Bonds	\$ 82,500.00	
METHODIST HOSPITAL—Memphis, Tenn.		
1. Number of Hospitals		2
(1) Methodist Hospital, Memphis, Tennessee.		
(2) Memphis Eye, Ear, Nose, and Throat Hospital.		
	Methodist Hospital	E.E.N. & T. Hospital
2. Officers	3	Same
3. Nurses employed	80	12
4. Student Nurses	121	0
5. Number of beds	278	60
6. Number of Bassinets	50	0
7. In-Patients (excluding Newborn)	14,049	4,440
8. Out-Patients for year	20,064	9,087
9. Money expended for year (Hospital Exp. only.)	\$1,989,979.55	\$ 310,636.39
10. Value of Charity work	\$ 151,501.42	\$ 3,557.93
11. Value of Property	\$2,125,109.33	\$ 142,731.44
12. Endowment	None	None
13. Indebtedness	\$ 187,500.00	None
14. Debt reduced this year		

HENDRIX COLLEGE

Conway, Ark.

1. Number of colleges—(Hendrix College)	1
2. Officers and Teachers	48
3. Total number of students for the year	466
4. Value of Buildings and Land	\$1,567,362.76
5. Endowment	\$2,034,413.30
6. Indebtedness	None

STATISTICIAN'S NOTE:

1. The Superintendent of the Methodist Hospital, Mr. J. M. Crews, has filed with the Conference Statistician a detailed report of the services of the Hospital to be published in the Conference Journal.
2. The Superintendent of the Methodist Children's Home, The Reverend T. T. McNeal, has filed with the Conference Statistician a complete audit of the Home with the request that it be published in the Conference Journal.

BILL STEWART, Statistician
North Arkansas Conference
The Methodist Church

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON ADVANCE

The North Arkansas Conference
June, 1954

Bishop Martin and Members of the North Arkansas Conference:

The Committee on Advance has been active during this Conference Year in presenting to the churches of the Conference the cause of Advance Specials and other matters included within its area of responsibility.

The special booklet prepared for the Arkansas-Louisiana Area by the Board of Missions concerning World Missions has been distributed throughout the Conference. Letters have been sent to all pastors and District Superintendents describing in detail the manner in which World and National Missions are to be divided, how they may be sent, and other pertinent information.

This Committee secured Mr. Lester Finley for use in the North Arkansas Conference and arranged his itinerary over the Conference. We feel that Mr. Finley made a great contribution to the cause of Missions in our Districts. The offerings received at these district meetings were used to pay Mr. Finley's expense and a balance of \$155.69 which remained was sent to the Board of Missions for the Gujarat Conference in India.

The Committee received \$800 at the beginning of the Conference year of which amount \$394.29 has been spent. Itemized statement sent to World Service Commission.

The Chairman travelled to some District Set-Up meetings to present the cause of Advance Specials and the Committee is ready during the new year to assist pastors or District Superintendents in this most urgent and worthy cause.

Respectfully submitted
Robert E. L. Bearden, Chr.
Ira A. Brumley, Sec.

AUDIT REPORT

of the

NORTH ARKANSAS CONFERENCE OF THE METHODIST CHURCH

for the Period

June 11, 1953 to June 7, 1954

Pursuant to the authority granted to us by the Commission on World Service and Finance of the North Arkansas Conference of The Methodist Church we have made an audit of the records of the North Arkansas Conference as kept by Mr. P. E. Cooley, Conference Treasurer, and the records of the Board of Conference Claimants of the North Arkansas Conference of the Methodist Church as kept by Rev. H. D. Womack, Board Treasurer, for the period June 11, 1953 to June 7, 1954.

Our examination was made in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, and accordingly included such tests and checks of the accounting records, and such other auditing procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances.

In our opinion the accompanying statement of funds on hand, statement of receipts and disbursements, and treasurer's reports to the conference boards present correctly your financial condition at June 7, 1954, and an adequate accounting for funds received and disbursed during this period.

Your records are very good and have been well kept. The conference treasurer is very efficient and has given us excellent cooperation in making this audit. The treasurer of the Board of Conference Claimants is doing an excellent job in keeping the records of that board.

We appreciate being able to serve you in this matter and hope that we may be of further service to you in the future.

Evans and Johnson
Certified Public Accountants
Blytheville, Arkansas
By Joe B. Evans

July 5, 1954

Memoirs

REV. JAMES T. WILLCOXON

James T. Willcoxon, son of Dr. Levi and Mary Frances Turpin Willcoxon, was born in Borom, Alabama Nov. 18, 1884. He married Miss Mary Emma Yeaman of Nashville, Tenn., June 16, 1915. There were six children to bless this marriage; four of them survive their father—James T. Jr. of San Diego, Calif., Mrs. Max B. Ostner of Memphis, Tenn., Elmer H. of Greenwood, Miss., and Philipp A. of Ft. Smith, Arkansas. Mrs. Willcoxon survives her husband and resides in Ft. Smith, Ark.

Brother Willcoxon made careful preparation for his ministry. He received his A. B. degree from Birmingham-Southern and his B. D. degree from Vanderbilt University. He did some special work in Chicago University. He joined the Tenn. Conference in 1909 and was admitted into full connection in the White River Conference in 1911. For two years, 1917-19, he served as chaplain in World War No. 1, serving one year of the time in overseas duty. In 1946 he found it necessary to take the retired relationship because of physical conditions. Later he served as conference treasurer of the North Arkansas Conference for two years. Death came on May 16, 1954 and the funeral service was conducted in the First Methodist Church in Ft. Smith, Arkansas on June 18th. Dr. Fred G. Roebuck, Dr. W. Henry Goodloe, Rev Alfred Knox and the writer participated in the service. Burial was in Nashville, Tenn., on the 19th with Dr. E. P. Anderson conducting the graveside service.

Brother Willcoxon gave 37 years to the active service of his beloved Church. He loved his Church dearly and was deeply devoted to its work. Even after physical infirmities took hold of his body he insisted on carrying on to the best of his ability. He had great convictions and was always courageous and firm in his attitudes. Although he suffered much over a long period of years he never became embittered. His devotion to his family was beautiful to behold. His wife and children bear testimony to his deep consecration and loving care.

"Servant of God, well done!
Thy glorious warfare's past;
The battle's fought, the race is won
And thou art crowned at last."

W. Vance Womack

REV. ROBERT E. WILSON

The Rev. Robert Elmon Wilson was born near Beebe, Arkansas, February 16, 1886, and died at a Newport, Arkansas, hospital March 27, 1954. Bro. Robert E. Wilson was admitted to the North Arkansas Conference in 1925 and was retired in 1949, thus giving 26 years to the regular ministry and two years as a supply. He served the following charges: Greenbrier, Hackett, St. Johns, Pottsville, Kensett, Hoxie, Griffin Memorial, and Levy.

Illness cut short his work as an active minister but not his love for his fellowman. Bro. Wilson was married to Miss Alberta Freeling who died in 1918. Later he was united in marriage to Mrs. Beverly Pruitt Thompson. Surviving him are Mrs. Wilson and five children: Juanita Calhoun, Hermon Thompson, Otis, Burl and Paul Wilson.

Bro. Robert E. Wilson was a man of solid basic integrity, of deep and unshakable convictions, a wise counselor, a true friend, a tireless worker, a man who loved his family, his Church and his Christ, and a man who never spared himself in the service of others. Bro. Wilson loved the ministry, he loved people and he delighted to follow the leading of the Holy Spirit.

His funeral service was conducted at the McCrory Methodist Church by Rev. Guy C. Ames and W. M. Womack, March 29, and was buried at McCrory.

The true philosophy of this good man may be read in the lines of the following poem by St. Francis of Assisi:

Lord grant that I may seek rather
To comfort than to be comforted;
To understand than to be understood;
To love than to be loved.
For
It is in giving that one receives;
It is in self-forgetting that one finds;
It is by forgiving that one is forgiven
It is by dying that one wakens to eternal life.

—Earle Cravens

REV. GEORGE EDWARD PATCHELL

"There shall be no night there." Rev. 22:5

Rev. George Edward Patchell, the son of Isaac Andrew Patchell and Martha Louisa Sibley Patchell, was born on May 26, 1879 in Independence County, Arkansas about 15 miles west of Batesville. When he was two years of age his father, a recent immigrant from Canada, moved the family to Cleburne County and settled in the Jackson Schoolhouse community. Under the influence of his father who was an active layman and Sunday school teacher and his mother, a devout Christian woman, he grew in the Christian life until at the age of 10 he made his profession of faith in Christ in the little Methodist Church that was meeting in the school house. In 1895 the family moved to a house within sight of Goodloe Chapel, a church on the Quitman charge. At the age of 17 Brother Patchell was licensed to preach and preached his first sermon on August 15, 1896 in Goodloe Chapel.

It was three years later when Brother Patchell took his first pastoral charge, Gravelly Circuit in Yell County. The next year (1900) he was placed on the accepted supply list in the Arkansas Conference but left without appointment to attend school at Hendrix College. In 1901 he was ordained a deacon; in 1906 he was admitted on trial. Two years later he was received into full connection and in 1910 he was ordained an elder.

On May 20, 1902, he was married to Miss Venice Major of Plummerville, Arkansas. The marriage ceremony was performed in Morrilton by Rev. J. B. Stevenson.

Among his pastorates were the following churches: Berryville Circuit, Plummerville Circuit, Siloam Springs, Dodson Ave. Church (now Goddard Memorial), Hoxie, Brinkley, West Helena, Elaine, Harrisburg, Widner-Madison, Round Pond. In all Brother Patchell served 14 different charges. He took the superannuate relation at the conference session meeting in Searcy in 1946.

Brother Patchell kept a record of his work, and this record reveals that he had performed over 500 marriage ceremonies, held over 1000 funerals, baptized over 1500 people, preached 5000 sermons and made nearly 50,000 pastoral calls. In addition, he found time for his hobbies, nature study and poetry writing.

Brother Patchell passed from this life in the home of his daughter in Gurdon, Arkansas and was buried in the Walnut Grove Cemetery at Newport, Arkansas where he had made his home since retirement. His funeral service was conducted by Reverend Guy Ames, assisted by Reverend R. E. Connell. He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Venice Major Patchell; two daughters, Mrs. E. W. Lawrence of Gurdon, Arkansas and Mrs. L. J. Lineback of Brinkley, Arkansas; six grandchildren; three brothers and five sisters.—James E. Major

REV. GEORGE A. FREEMAN

Rev. George A. Freeman was born in Vermont March 1, 1887 and came to Kentucky when he was nine years of age. From Kentucky he removed to Conway, Arkansas at the age of 18. He attended Hendrix College and was a Veteran of the Spanish American War.

He was married to Stell L. Moore, May 8, 1901. To this union was born three children; George M. Freeman who died at the age of 21; Mrs. Joy Freeman Bates of Little Rock; and Hugh Avery Freeman of Dallas, Texas. Besides these children he is survived by a foster daughter, Mrs. Dorothy Freeman Baker of Memphis, Tenn.

After entering the Methodist Ministry he served as pastor of the Washington Avenue Methodist Church in North Little Rock for eight years. He had served the Methodist Church at Hardy for one year when he was forced to retire because of failing health. With Mrs. Freeman he moved to his home, Hope Hill, near Quitman.

Just a few months before his last illness he and Mrs. Freeman moved to Hardy where they planned to make their permanent home.

Placing his membership in the Hardy Methodist Church he became a regular and faithful attendant upon its services until his last illness.

Bro. Freeman was a good man, a faithful servant of God and a scholar. The people of Hardy loved him as did all who ever knew him and he was a friend and source of inspiration to the pastor of the church.

Services were conducted in a church near Quitman, Jan. 31, by Rev. Harold Wilson, Rev. A. N. Story and Rev. George L. McGhehey, and he was laid to rest in the church yard nearby.—George T. McGhehey.

REV. WILLIAM FRANK COOLEY

William Frank Cooley, Superintendent of the Fayetteville District at the time of death, was born in Blytheville, Arkansas, October 27, 1910. He attended public schools in Blytheville where he graduated from high school. He received the A. B. degree from Hendrix College in 1931 and the B. D. degree from Duke University at Durham, North Carolina, in 1935. Brother Cooley died in a Clarksville, Arkansas hospital October 17, 1953 of injuries received October 15 in an automobile accident.

He was married to Marie Moon of Blytheville in 1932. They have a son, David, and a daughter, Carol. He entered the Methodist ministry and was admitted on trial in the Western North Carolina Conference in 1932. While attending Duke University he served as pastor at Summerfield and Asheboro Circuit in North Carolina. Transferring back to the North Arkansas Conference, he was admitted into full connection and ordained an elder. He served as pastor at Joiner, Bentonville, Siloam Springs, Harrison, and Russellville. He was appointed superintendent of the Fayetteville District in 1950. He was a reserve delegate to the General Conference of the Methodist Church meeting in San Francisco, California in 1952 and a delegate to the Jurisdictional Conference which met in Wichita, Kansas the same year.

Product of a devout and lovely Christian home, Bro. Cooley was encouraged not only by his parents to give his life to the Methodist ministry, but also by his grandfather, W. W. Hollipeter, who until his death was an active member of First Methodist Church, Blytheville. In this church through the inspiration from ministers, church school teachers, and he felt and answered the call to preach the gospel. As pastor and district superintendent, he won lasting friends among laymen and ministers alike through his merry nature, generous spirit, and radiant Christian Faith. His unusual gifts and personal charm marked him as one of the leaders in the Conference.

Besides his wife, Mrs. Marie Moon Cooley, son David, and daughter Carol, he is survived by his father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. P. E. Cooley, Blytheville, one sister, Mrs. Elstner Beall of Wilson, Arkansas, a grandmother, Mrs. Emma M. Burney and an uncle, the Reverend George H. Cooley, both of Stuarts Draft, Virginia.

Funeral services were held in Central Methodist Church, Fayetteville, Arkansas, Monday morning, October 19, 1953. Dr. D. L. Dykes, Jr., Dr. Ethan W. Dodgen, and the Reverend A. N. Storey officiated. Burial was in Blytheville, Arkansas cemetery with services conducted by Dr. Roy I. Bagley, assisted by the Reverend Paul M. Bumpers.

"Be of good cheer
I have overcome the World!"

—Ethan W. Dodgen

MRS. WILLIAM SHERMAN

On Saturday, September 26, 1953, Mrs. Margaret Cannon Sherman was laid to rest in the cemetery at Elm Springs, Arkansas. Mrs. Sherman was not only one of the church's most beautiful Christian spirits, but also held the distinction of having been a parsonage lady the longest period of any pastor's wife in the history of Arkansas Methodism. She lived in district parsonages for 21 years, and in pastoral parsonages for 29 years, making a total of 50 years as an active pastor's wife.

These years were filled with unselfish and devoted service, not only as a minister's wife, but also a leader in her own right in the woman's work, having served as president of the Missionary Society in a number of places where her husband served as pastor or district superintendent.

Mrs. Sherman was born at Goshen, Arkansas, September 2, 1871, the daughter of the late T. M. Cannon and Mrs. Mary Cannon. After attending what was then known as the common schools of Goshen, she attended Hiram and Lydia College at Altus, Arkansas.

Having completed her formal training, she taught school for several years in her home community of Goshen. It was there she met William Sherman, then pastor at Rogers. They fell in love and were married on December 10, 1891. She moved into the Rogers parsonage and began her fifty years in Methodist parsonages.

The atmosphere which Mrs. Sherman created in each one of these homes was one of love, understanding and beauty which could be felt by even the most casual visitor. This beautiful spirit carried over into her own home when in 1941 she and Brother Sherman retired to live at 410 Washington Street in Fayetteville. Those of us who had the privilege of visiting occasionally in that home always felt the encouragement and strength of her fine Christian spirit.

She is survived by her husband, two children, S. H. Sherman, superintendent of schools in Statesboro, Georgia, and Mrs. D. D. Ricketts of Little Rock, and two grandchildren, Mrs. Arnold Almond of Atlanta, Ga., and Miss Betty Ann Sherman, a stewardess in the U. S. Air Force, stationed in New Orleans, La.

The funeral services were held in Central Methodist Church, Fayetteville, by the late Rev. W. F. Cooley, the district superintendent of the Fayetteville District, assisted by E. H. Hook, W. W. Richeson, and D. L. Dykes, Jr.—D. L. Dykes, Jr.

MRS. A. W. MARTIN

Sallie Hairston Martin, wife of A. W. Martin, was born at Springfield, Arkansas, July 12, 1891, the oldest daughter of William Robert and Mattie Belle Morgan Hairston. She died October 29, 1953 in Dallas, Texas where her husband is serving as Professor of Church Administration in Perkins School of Theology, Southern Methodist University.

She was buried November 2 in Pea Ridge, Arkansas, after funeral services conducted in Highland Park Methodist Church, Dallas, Texas, by Dr. Marshall T. Steel, assisted by Dean Merrimon Cunningham of Perkins School of Theology and at Pea Ridge by Rev. O. R. Findley, assisted by Dr. Ethan Dodgen and Rev. A. N. Storey.

Mrs. Martin graduated from Conway High School and attended Hendrix College for three years. After her marriage to Rev. A. W. Martin, December 5, 1916, she served with her husband in the following assignments: Pastorates at Magazine, Gravelly, Danville, and First Church,

Jonesboro; as Sunday School Extension Secretary of the Sunday School Board of the North Arkansas Conference, as Secretary of Missionary Education of the General Board of Education of the M. E. Church, South, as superintendent of the Paragould, Helena, and Ft. Smith Districts, and as Professor of Church Administration, Perkins School of Theology.

Besides her husband, Mrs. Martin is survived by three children: Betty Jane (Mrs. Harold Anderson) of Marianna, Arkansas; Mattie Sue (Mrs. C. A. Emerson, Jr.) of Phoenix, Arizona; and Albert William, Jr., a ministerial member of the North Arkansas Conference; her mother, Mrs. W. R. Hairston of Conway; three grandchildren; four sisters: Mrs. Fred E. Bailey, Little Rock; Mrs. W. Furniss, Wynne; Mrs. Pat Murphy, Hulbert; and Mrs. C. C. Bean, Conway; three brothers: Robert D. Hairston, Conway; W. M. Hairston, Dallas; and Harvey E. Hairston, Mobile, Alabama.

A beautiful tribute by Margaret R. (Mrs. E. W.) Potter esteems her as a long-time fellow parsonage friend, wife and mother.

"It has been said that every person is the incarnation of some word. Sallie Martin was my near neighbor for a few years and my dear friend ever after. If any word could fitly describe her, it would need to be a lovely one, for she was essentially lovely in her life.

There is a description of her in the thirty-first chapter of the Book of Proverbs. All the virtues of the ideal woman mentioned there were hers. 'She looketh well to the ways of her household.' Sallie's home was set like a jewel in her heart and it was her pleasure to share its beauty and comfort with others. 'Her children arise up and call her blessed; and her husband also, and he praiseth her.' Sallie's family was her pride and joy; Betty Jane, Mattie Sue and Billy were—to her—a gift from God, a trust to be kept inviolate. 'She openeth her mouth with wisdom; and in her tongue is the law of kindness.' In all the years that I enjoyed her friendship I never heard an unkind word fall from Sallie's lips. 'She stretcheth out her hands to the poor; she reacheth forth her hands to the needy.' Generous to the point of sacrifice, Sallie gave of herself to others, joyously sharing the riches of her life. The Recording Angel must have a long list of her deeds of unselfishness. When suffering became her portion, she bore affliction with steadfast patience and cheerfulness, and those who sought to comfort her found themselves comforted.

Sallie Martin knew God. She loved Him and served Him with undivided loyalty. As a minister's wife, her life was rich and full. Modest as a flower, she was reluctant to assume the places of leadership to which the Church called her, but she never shirked a responsibility. Young people were her special concern and she was always eager and willing to help them in every possible way. Her cup of happiness was filled to overflowing when her son entered the ministry of the Church she loved so well. For this she had long prayed.

"You may break, you may shatter the vase, if you will, but the scent of roses will cling to it still." The world is a fairer place because Sallie Martin lived in it for awhile, and the fragrance of her life will linger long in the memory of those who came within the radiant radius of it."

As the pastor to the Hairston family in Conway for five years following my father's four-year pastorate there, we know and loved Mrs. Martin and her entire family, as we met from time to time in our church's fellowship.

I join with Mrs. Potter and many others of our parsonage families in gratitude for the blessings which abide in her friendship—"with one of the finest Christian characters I ever knew."

James W. Workman

SERVICE RECORD

Approved Supply Pastors

Name	First Approved	Ordained Deacon	Ordained Elder	Years Service
Abee, Walter	1952	1954		2
Anderson, Jas. V.	1954			
Anderson, Lee	1946	1952	1954	7½
Anderson, Mrs. Lee	1947	1952	1954	
Barling, Aaron	1949			4
Bilberry, Davis	1953			1
Blair, Alfred	1953			1
Chapman, John	1953			1
Conner, W. G.	1942	1953		10½
Cook, Charles	1953			
Cooksey, Thomas	1953			
Edwards, Ray	1949			5
Evans, Gus	1944			7
Findley, O. R.	1918	1946	1948	31
Faith, Marvin D.	1954			
Flower, E. F.	1954		1954	
Gatlin, James	1952			2
Hainsey, Virgil	1954			
Harris, Robert	1953			1
Harrison, Cecil	1953			1
Hatfield, Kenneth	1950	1954		4
Hilton, Gerald	1954			1
Holland, Felix	1947	1951	1952	6½
Holman, W. B.	1951			3
Holt, Charles R.	1954			1
Hutton, W. C.	1947	1934	1936	3½
Johnson, D. Kern	1950	1953		4
Johnson, Robert	1952			2
Keel, Waymon	1953			1
Kemp, Maurice	1954			
Kennedy, Dois	1953			1
Knoch, Elmo	1954			
Langston, L. L.	1923	1925	1949	31
Linam, James	1954			
Linam, Joe	1952			2
Love, T. O.	1935			7½
Miser, Eugene	1953			1
McIlvene, A. L.	1953	1953		1
Nipper, Ernest	1954			
Parmenter, T. B.	1948			5
Pennel, Walter	1943			7½
Poindexter, Estes	1953			1
Poynor, Roy	1947			3
Reaves, Mrs. E. J.	1948	1949	1952	
Richardson, J. H.	1944	1951	1954	9½
Roland, Lindsey	1953			1
Roop, Frank M.	1953			1
Rushing, Eugene	1953			1
Russell, Silas	1945			3
Sandage, John W.	1938	1951	1952	11½
Sewell, James H.	1953			1
Short, M. B.	1942	1951	1952	11½
Scott, Mrs. Monroe	1953			1
Shoemaker, Eugene	1953			1
Smith, James G.	1942	1947	1951	11½
Smitherman, Dave	1948	1953		4
Sooter, Edwin	1953			1
Stephens, Burnell	1953			1
Strayhorn, Carl	1949	1952	1954	5
Strayhorn, Otho	1954			
Stegall, W. G.	1946			7½

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Name	First Approved	Ordained Deacon	Ordained Elder	Years Service
Thomas, James E.	1940	1954	8
Thompson, Fred M.	1935	1950	1952	10½
Thompson, Marvin A.	1947	1953	.....	5½
Van Cleve, Benny	1954	.....	.....	.....
Watson, W. T.	1935	1951	1952	18½
Watson, Ellsworth	1954	.....	.....	.....
Walters, Charles H.	1950	.....	.....	1
West, Hascle O.	1951	.....	.....	3
Whitehurst, Y. D.	1942	1944	1946	11½
Williams, Travis	1950	.....	.....	4
Williamson, Carl	1953	.....	.....	1
Wilson, Leon	1954	.....	.....	.....
Winkler, Eugene	1953	1
Wilson, Ivan R.	1939	14½
Wilson, Cyril	1953	1
Yarbrough, William	1951	3

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ABBREVIATIONS

OT—On Trial
FC—Full Connection
MP—Methodist Protestant

T—Transfer
Ef—Effective
RE—Re-Admitted

R—Retired
L—Located

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		Conference	Year Admitted	How Admitted							Regular	Supply
Adams, S. N.	R	M. P.	1908	OT	1911	1911	MP	1939	3	1946	35	
Allbright, Wm. W.	R	Arkansas	1907	OT	1909	1909	FC	1909		1950	42½	
Ames, G. B.	Ef	N. Arkansas	1949	OT	1951	1950	FC	1951			5	
Anderson, Gail G.	Ef	N. Arkansas	1952	OT	1954	1954	FC	1954			2	4
Auslam, Sam	Ef	N. Arkansas	1949	OT	1951	1951	FC	1951			5	
Bagley, Roy I.	Ef	N. Arkansas	1937	OT	1939	1939	FC	1939			16½	5
Barger, Lyman T.	Ef	N. Arkansas	1937	OT	1939	1939	FC	1939			16½	2
Barnett, James M.	Ef	N. Arkansas	1927	OT	1929	1929	FC	1929			26½	2
Barrett, John H.	OT	N. Arkansas	1953	OT							1	1
Bayliss, John	Ef	N. Texas	1943	OT	1945	1943	T	1944			10½	3
Beal, James William	OT	N. Arkansas	1953	OT		1953					2	1
Bearden, R. E. L.	Ef	Little Rock	1934	OT	1939	1939	T	1936			19½	
Bevis, Richard A.	R	N. Arkansas	1914	OT	1916	1916	FC	1916		1935	21	
Bierbaum, Martin A.	OT	N. Arkansas	1932	OT	1934	1934	FC	1934			21½	
Black, Joe G.	Ef	N. Arkansas	1954	OT								
Boyd, Archie N.	Ef	C. Texas	1938	OT	1940	1940	T	1942			15½	
Brannon, Arvill C.	Ef	N. Arkansas	1949	OT	1951	1948	T	1952			5	6
Bridenthal, Irl	Ef	N. Arkansas	1934	OT	1937	1937	FC	1937			19½	2
Brockway, Allen	OT	N. Arkansas	1954	OT								
Brown, Elmus C.	Ef	N. Arkansas	1931	OT	1933	1931	FC	1933			22½	
Brunley, Ira A.	Ef	N. Arkansas	1917	OT	1919	1919	FC	1919			36½	
Bruner, Wm. Glenn	Ef	N. Arkansas	1941	OT	1943	1943	FC	1943			12½	5
Bumpers, C. H.	R	Arkansas	1900	OT	1912	1912	FC	1912		1941	31	
Bumpers, Paul M.	Ef	N. Arkansas	1944	OT	1946	1945	FC	1944			9½	2
Burrow, Ray	Ef	N. Arkansas	1952	OT	1954	1954	FC	1954			2	
Burton, Carl C.	Ef	W. River	1909	OT	1911	1911	FC	1911			44½	
Byers, Wm. Leonard	Ef	N. Arkansas	1952	OT	1954	1954	FC	1954			2	2
Byrd, John T.	Ef	N. Arkansas	1925	OT	1927	1927	FC	1927			28½	1
Byrum, J. Hillman	OT	N. Arkansas	1953	OT							1	4
Campbell, Oliver M.	Ef	N. Arkansas	1918	OT	1920	1920	FC	1920			35½	
Casteel, Charles	Ef	N. Arkansas	1949	OT	1951	1950	FC	1951			5	
Carter, Earl	Ef	N. Arkansas	1950	OT	1952	1952	FC	1952			4	3
Cate, N. Lee	Ef	N. Arkansas	1944	OT	1945	1945	FC	1946			9½	
Chalfant, Vernon E.	Ef	N. Arkansas	1926	OT	1931	1931	FC	1931			27½	1
Chambliss, Thomas C.	Ef	N. Arkansas	1919	OT	1925	1925	FC	1925			33½	3
Chandler, James R.	Ef	N. Arkansas	1942	OT	1944	1942	FC	1944			11½	4
Cherry, Marvin A.	R	N. Arkansas	1938	OT	1940	1940	FC	1940		1944	6	
Christie, Andrew J.	Ef	Little Rock	1921	OT	1923	1921	T	1953			32½	
Clark, John J.	Ef	N. Arkansas	1937	OT	1939	1935	FC	1939			16½	3
Claud, Inis L.	Ef	N. Arkansas	1916	OT	1919	1916	FC	1919			37½	
Clemmons, James T.	OT	N. Arkansas	1951	OT		1952					3	
Cole, O. L.	Ef	W. River	1913	OT	1915	1909	T	1938			40½	
Coley, Edward	Ef	N. Arkansas	1950	OT	1952	1952	FC	1952			4	1
Connell, Richard Egbert	Ef	Texas	1918	OT	1920	1918	T	1939			35½	
Connell, William P.	Ef	N. Arkansas	1951	OT	1954	1952	FC	1954			3	
Conyers, David P.	Ef	N. Arkansas	1943	OT	1945	1944	FC	1945			10½	1
Conyers, Lloyd M.	Ef	N. Arkansas	1935	OT	1937	1937	FC	1937			18½	
Cook, Brady	Ef	M. P.	1937	OT	1937		MP	1939			16½	
Cook, Fern	Ef	M. P.	1936	OT	1939		MP	1939			17½	
Cooper, Joel A.	Ef	N. Arkansas	1943	OT	1945	1943	FC	1945			10½	
Copes, V. Earle	Ef	S. W. Texas	1945	OT	1947	1947	T	1949			8½	
Couchman, H. J.	Ef	N. Arkansas	1930	OT	1932	1930	FC	1932			23½	2
Craig, Eli	R	W. River	1908	OT	1915	1908	FC	1908	5	1935	22	5
Cravens, Earle	Ef	N. Arkansas	1925	OT	1928	1928	FC	1928			28½	
Crozier, Clyde Emerson	Ef	N. Arkansas	1945	OT	1950	1950	FC	1950			8½	5
Cruce, Pryor Reed	Ef	N. Arkansas	1949	OT	1951	1951	FC	1951			5	
Dark, Dewey, Jr.	OT	N. Arkansas	1952	OT							2	1
Davis, Lamar	OT	N. Arkansas	1953	OT		1954					1	1
Davis, Paul Dean	OT	N. Arkansas	1952	OT							2	4
Decker, Jesse J.	Ef	N. Arkansas	1926	OT	1928	1928	FC	1928			27½	5

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		Conference	Year Admitted	How Admitted							Regular	Supply
Dickerson, T. L.	R	M. P.	1913	OT	1916	1918	1919	MP	1939	1	1940	10
Diggs, W. L.	Ef	N. Arkansas	1947	OT	1950	1950	1952	T	1953			6½
Dodgen, Ethan W.	Ef	N. Arkansas	1932	OT	1934	1934	1936	FC	1934			21½
Dodson, Edwin B.	Ef	N. Arkansas	1944	OT	1946	1945	1946	FC	1946			9½
Dorman, Raymond A.	Ef	N. Arkansas	1933	OT	1935	1935	1937	FC	1935			20½
Douglas, W. L.	OT	N. Arkansas	1954	OT								4
Downum, W. A.	Ef	N. Arkansas	1928	OT	1930	1930	1932	FC	1930			25½
DuLaney, A. H.	R	Memphis	1903	OT	1905	1907	1908		1911	1945		12
Dykes, D. L., Jr.	Ef	Louisiana	1938	OT	1945	1944	1945	T	1948			15½
Eason, Alfred A.	Ef	N. Arkansas	1942	OT	1944	1942	1944	FC	1942			10½
Edgington, Manford L.	Ef	N. Arkansas	1931	OT	1933	1933	1936	FC	1933			22½
Edwards, Bobby S.	OT	N. Arkansas	1954	OT								1
Eggensperger, Harold O.	Ef	Little Rock	1940	OT	1942	1942	1943	T	1942			13½
Evans, James B.	R	Little Rock	1911	OT	1913	1913	1916	T	1915	1	1930	18
Evanson, O. J.	Ef	E. Oklahoma	1922	OT	1924	1922	1924	T	1945			31½
Fair, Louis W.	R	N. Arkansas	1907	OT	1913	1898	1913	FC	1913	11	1944	26
Farmer, C. H.	Ef	Little Rock	1932	OT	1935	1932	1933	T	1952			29½
Faulkner, Everett W.	R	Arkansas	1910	OT	1912	1912	1914	FC	1912		1952	41½
Few, Benjamin C.	Ef	Little Rock	1910	OT	1913	1913	1916	T	1915			43½
Fleming, James T.	Ef	N. Arkansas	1951	OT	1953	1953	1954	FC	1953			3½
Franks, Raymond L.	Ef	N. Arkansas	1932	OT	1936	1936	1940	FC	1936			21½
Galloway, James J.	R	Arkansas	1898	OT	1900	1895	1899	FC	1900		1941	43
Gatlin, J. A.	Ef	N. Arkansas	1925	OT	1933	1930	1934	FC	1933			28½
Gibbs, Alvin	OT	N. Arkansas	1954	OT		1951	1953					9½
Gibson, Worth W.	Ef	N. Arkansas	1951	OT	1953	1952		FC	1953			3
Glass, J. W.	Ef	M. P.	1929	OT	1929		1927	MP	1939			24½
Glover, John W.	Ef	N. Arkansas	1924	OT	1926	1926	1928	FC	1926			29½
Goode, Alvin E.	R	N. Arkansas	1904	OT	1907	1907	1910	FC	1907		1939	35
Goodloe, W. Henry	Ef	N. Arkansas	1924	OT	1926	1926	1930	FC	1926			29½
Graves, Marvin A.	R	N. Arkansas	1926	OT	1929	1922	1931	FC	1929		1952	26½
Gray, Charles E.	R	Arkansas	1907	OT	1910	1910	1914	FC	1910		1949	41½
Greer, Norris	R	W. River	1913	OT	1915	1915	1917	FC	1915	1	1945	30
Guice, C. Norman	R	Mississippi	1900	OT	1902	1902	1904	RE	1919	6	1952	45½
Hall, Eugene H.	Ef	N. Arkansas	1929	OT	1931	1931	1933	FC	1931			24½
Hammett, Gerald	Ef	N. Arkansas	1951	OT	1954	1952	1954	FC	1954			3
Hance, E. C.	Ef	N. Arkansas	1948	OT	1950	1944	1947	FC	1950			5½
Harger, J. W.	R	N. Arkansas	1922	OT	1925	1905	1927	FC	1925		1947	25
Harl, W. H.	OT	N. Arkansas	1954	OT								
Harris, A. W.	Ef	N. Arkansas	1929	OT	1931	1931	1933	FC	1931			24½
Harris, Verlie F.	Ef	N. Arkansas	1932	OT	1934	1934	1936	FC	1934			21½
Harrison, John M.	Ef	W. River	1912	OT	1914	1912	1916	FC	1914			41½
Harvison, Claud H.	Ef	N. Arkansas	1925	OT	1928	1928	1930	FC	1928			28½
Hays, Aubra O.	Ef	N. Arkansas	1951	OT	1953	1953		FC	1953			3
Hazlewood, Harvey E.	Ef	N. Arkansas	1952	OT	1954	1952	1954	FC	1954			2
Henry, LeRoy	Ef	N. Arkansas	1940	OT	1942	1942	1944	FC	1942			13½
Hightower, William C.	Ef	N. Arkansas	1952	OT	1954	1954		FC	1954			2
Hillis, J. Ralph	Ef	N. Arkansas	1942	OT	1944	1942	1944	FC	1944			11½
Hindman, D. G.	Ef	M. P.	1931	OT	1934		1934	MP	1939	2		19½
Hindman, Mrs. D. G.	Ef	M. P.	1931	OT	1934		1934	MP	1939	2		19½
Hoggard, J. H.	Ef	N. Arkansas	1927	OT	1929	1929	1931	FC	1929			26½
Hollifield, Claud E.	R	M. P.	1909	OT	1912		1912	MP	1920		1929	20
Hollifield, E. J.	Ef	N. Texas	1938	OT	1940	1940	1941	T	1942			15½
Hollifield, Pharis	Ef	N. Arkansas	1943	OT	1945	1945	1948	FC	1945			10½
Holt, James Harmon	Ef	N. Arkansas	1943	OT	1945	1945	1947	FC	1945			10½
Hook, Elmer H.	Ef	N. Arkansas	1915	OT	1917	1917	1919	FC	1917			38½
Hooker, Vann	Ef	N. Arkansas	1949	OT	1951	1951	1953	FC	1951			5
Howard, James W.	R	Arkansas	1907	OT	1911	1911	1913	FC	1911	2	1943	34
Howerton, Robt. B.	Ef	N. Arkansas	1951	OT	1953	1952	1954	FC	1953			3
Hughes, James M.	R	W. River	1910	OT	1914	1914	1916	FC	1914		1948	38
Hughes, Earl	OT	N. Arkansas	1951	OT								3
Hughey, James M.	R	Arkansas	1898	OT	1900	1895	1899	FC	1900		1941	43
Hyde, Gilbert	Ef	Little Rock	1928	OT	1930	1930	1932	T	1947			25½
Jinske, H. W.	Ef	N. Arkansas	1949	OT	1951	1951	1952	FC	1951			5
Johnson, Grover C.	R	Arkansas	1909	OT	1912	1912	1914	FC	1912			41½
Johnson, Jesse L.	Ef	N. Arkansas	1942	OT	1944	1944	1946	FC	1944			11½
Johnson, W. T.	OT	N. Arkansas	1953	OT								1
Johnston, Mack N.	R	Memphis	1910	OT	1914	1912	1914	T	1912		1944	34
Jones, Frank Alfred	OT	N. Arkansas	1952	OT		1953						2

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		Conference	Year Admitted	How Admitted							Regular	Supply
Jordan, Ben F.	Eff	N. Arkansas	1949	OT	1951	1951	1952	T	1952		5	2
Kaetzell, E. G.	Eff	Louisiana	1930	OT	1936	1932	1936	T	1933		23½	
Kaylor, Martin L.	Eff	N. Arkansas	1950	OT	1952	1947	1951	FC	1952		4	4
Kelley, Paul	Eff	N. Arkansas	1952	OT	1954	1954		FC	1954		2	20
King, Harry	Eff	N. Arkansas	1936	OT	1938	1913	1920	FC	1936		17½	
Kleeb, George J.	OT	N. Arkansas	1953	OT		1951	1953				1	4
Knox, Alfred A.	Eff	N. Arkansas	1938	OT	1940	1940	1942	FC	1940		15½	
LaFevers, Louis F.	Eff	N. Arkansas	1926	OT	1928	1928	1930	FC	1928		27½	
Lanier, Wm. Paul	Eff	N. Arkansas	1949	OT	1951	1951	1953	FC	1951		5	
Lanier, William Maurice	Eff	N. Arkansas	1945	OT	1949	1946	1949	FC	1949		8½	
Lark, Fred A.	R	Arkansas	1898	OT	1900	1897	1902	FC	1900	1945	47	
Lawrence, Golder	Eff	Wisconsin	1914	OT	1916	1916	1919	T	1943		39½	
Lawson, Arvest Neal	OT	N. Arkansas	1952	OT		1952					2	1
Lawson, Marvest A.	Eff	N. Arkansas	1952	OT	1954	1952	1954	FC	1954		2	
Lewis, Charles	Eff	N. Arkansas	1945	OT	1945	1945	1947	FC	1947		8½	6
Liam, J. E.	Eff	M. P.	1932	OT	1932		1936	MP	1939		20½	
Lindsay, William A.	R	W. River	1900	OT	1902	1902	1907	FC	1902	1 1948	47	
Lingo, William T.	Eff	N. Arkansas	1945	OT	1948	1948	1952	FC	1948		8½	4
Major, James E.	Eff	Little Rock	1943	OT	1945	1944	1945	T	1953		10½	
Marlar, Elbert	R	M. P.	1917	OT	1917		1917	MP	1925	1938	21	
Martin, Albert W.	Eff	N. Arkansas	1916	OT	1918	1918	1920	FC	1918		32½	
Martin, Albert W. Jr.	OT	N. Arkansas	1952	OT		1952					2	
Martin, George Wayne	Eff	N. Arkansas	1951	OT	1953	1952		FC	1953		3	4
Masters, Thurston	Eff	N. Arkansas	1942	OT	1945	1945	1947	FC	1945		11½	2
McDonal, H. F.	Eff	N. Arkansas	1922	OT	1926	1926	1928	FC	1926		31½	
McDonald, Chas. P. Jr.	Eff	N. Arkansas	1947	OT	1949	1948	1949	FC	1949		6½	
McGehey, George	Eff	N. Arkansas	1930	OT	1932	1932	1934	FC	1932		23½	6
McKelvey, Gaither A.	Eff	N. Arkansas	1945	OT	1947	1947	1949	FC	1949		8½	6
McKisson, Theron	Eff	Oklahoma	1934	OT	1939	1937	1939	T	1939		19½	
McKnight, Byron A.	R	S. W. Mo.	1901	OT	1903	1903	1905	T	1919	4 1946	41	
McLester, Ray L.	Eff	N. Arkansas	1923	OT	1932	1932	1934	FC	1932		25½	1
McMaster, Robert T.	Eff	N. Arkansas	1947	OT	1950	1948	1948	FC	1950		6½	
McSpadden, Byron L.	Eff	N. Arkansas	1946	OT	1948	1948	1951	FC	1948		7½	6
Meadors, James	OT	N. Arkansas	1953	OT		1954					1	3
Means, E. K.	R	Kentucky	1899	OT	1901	1901	1903	T	1937	1 1944	44	
Moore, Jason W.	Eff	W. River	1911	OT	1917	1913	1919	FC	1917		42½	1
Mooring, Frederick	Eff	N. Arkansas	1952	OT	1954	1953		FC	1954		2	1
Moyers, William Roy	OT	N. Arkansas	1952	OT							2	5
Murphy, Guy	R	Little Rock	1914	OT	1916	1916	1918	T	1915	1936	22	
Murray, Alvin C.	Eff	N. Texas	1944	OT	1946	1945	1946	FC	1946		19½	3
Nance, C. R.	Eff	M. P.	1933	OT	1933		1933	MP	1939		20½	
Nations, Thomas	OT	N. Arkansas	1953	OT							1	3
Patty, S. O.	Eff	N. Arkansas	1924	OT	1925	1925	1927	FC	1925		29½	
Patty, William A.	R	N. Arkansas	1920	OT	1923	1923	1925	FC	1923	1943	23	
Paysinger, Vernon	OT	N. Arkansas	1953	OT							1	1
Pearce, Hubert E.	Eff	N. Arkansas	1934	OT	1936	1936	1938	FC	1936		19½	
Peters, E. M.	R	Memphis	1906	OT	1911	1911	1913	T	1925	5 1935	24	
Peters, O. D.	Eff	N. Arkansas	1939	OT	1941	1941	1943	FC	1941		14½	6
Peterson, W. W.	Eff	M. P.	1916	OT	1918		1918	MP	1920		37½	
Pollard, M. J.	OT	N. Arkansas	1954	OT		1953						8½
Pruitt, J. L.	Eff	N. Arkansas	1920	OT	1922	1922	1925	FC	1922		33½	1
Reaves, Eric J.	R	W. Oklahoma	1922	OT	1924	1922	1924	T	1942		31½	1
Remaley, Delbert P.	Eff	N. Arkansas	1950	OT	1952	1952	1953	FC	1952		4	
Renfro, Kenneth	Eff	N. Arkansas	1951	OT	1953	1953		FC	1953		3	1
Reves, C. M.	R	W. River	1908	OT	1910	1910	1912	T	1945	1 1945	43½	
Reynolds, James A.	R	Arkansas	1906	OT	1908	1908	1910	FC	1908	1946	40	
Richardson, Thomas	OT	N. Arkansas	1953	OT							1	
Richey, J. C.	Eff	M. P.	1939	OT	1939		1923	MP	1939		14½	3
Riggs, Arthur L.	Eff	N. Arkansas	1917	OT	1919	1919		FC	1919		36½	
Robison, H. L.	OT	N. Arkansas	1953	OT			1952				1	7
Roebuck, Fred G.	Eff	Little Rock	1913	OT	1915	1915	1917	T	1944		40½	1
Roetzel, Calvin J.	OT	N. Arkansas	1952	OT		1953					2	
Rowland, J. L.	R	N. Arkansas	1921	OT	1927	1927	1931	FC	1927	1939	18	
Russell, A. W.	R	St. Louis	1908	OT	1916	1916	1927	T	1925	17 1941	16	
Russell, W. L.	R	Texas	1912	OT	1915	1915	1917	T	1936	7 1947	28	
Sage, Abner J.	R	N. Texas	1910	OT	1912	1912	1914	T	1931	1937	29	
Sanford, Glenn F.	Eff	N. Arkansas	1925	OT	1927	1927	1929	FC	1927		28½	1

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		Conference	Year Admitted	How Admitted							Regular	Supply
Sanford, H. M.	El	St. Louis	1937	OT	1941	1941	1943	T	1950		15½	
Scroggin, William O. Jr.	El	N. Texas	1944	OT	1947	1947	1949	T	1947		9½	4
Seals, Ray D.	El	N. Arkansas	1932	OT	1934	1934	1936	FC	1934		21½	
Seneker, J. Seehorn	El	Missouri	1910	OT	1911	1914	1915	T	1914	4	39½	
Sessions, Robert P.	El	N. Arkansas	1943	OT	1950	1950	1951	FC	1950		5½	
Sewell, Emmett K.	R	W. River	1905	OT	1907	1905	1907	FC	1907	1941	36	½
Shell, Frank	El	N. Arkansas	1930	OT	1932	1930	1934	FC	1932		18½	5
Shelton, James R.	OT	N. Arkansas	1953	OT		1954					1	2
Sherman, Jefferson	R	Arkansas	1905	OT	1907	1903	1909	FC	1907	1	43½	
Sherman, William	R	Arkansas	1889	OT	1891	1890	1893	FC	1891		52	1
Sidwell, Mrs. Ora	R	M. P.						MP			14	
Simmons, J. W.	R	M. P.	1927	OT	1928		1928	MP	1949	1949	22	
Simpson, Arnold	El	N. Arkansas	1946	OT	1948	1948	1950	FC	1948		7½	2
Simpson, Robt. A.		Little Rock						T	1953			
Smith, D. W.	OT	N. Arkansas	1954									2
Smith, J. H.	R	M. P.	1933	OT	1937		1937	MP	1939	4	1947	10
Smith, Uriah	El	N. Arkansas	1949	OT	1951	1945	1950	FC	1951		4½	9
Smith, W. C.	R	M. P.	1933	OT	1937		1937	MP	1939		18½	
Spence, Harold H.	El	N. Arkansas	1944	OT	1947	1947	1948	FC	1947		9½	2
Spicer, W. J.	El	N. Arkansas	1919	OT	1921	1921	1926	FC	1921		34½	1
Stallcup, B. W.	El	N. Arkansas	1951	OT	1954	1954		FC	1954		3	7
Steele, Norris	El	N. Arkansas	1950	OT	1952	1952	1953	FC	1952		4	4
Stevenson, E. E.	El	N. Arkansas	1923	OT	1925	1925	1927	FC	1925		30½	
Stewart, James B.	R	N. Arkansas	1914	OT	1916	1916	1918	FC	1916	1944	30	
Stewart, George E.	El	N. Arkansas	1943	OT	1945	1944	1945	FC	1945		10½	
Stewart, Wm. A., Jr.	El	N. Arkansas	1946	OT	1948	1946	1948	FC	1948		7½	4
Storey, Albert N.	El	N. Arkansas	1920	OT	1923	1923	1926	FC	1923		33½	1
Sturdy, Bates	El	N. Arkansas	1932	OT	1934	1934	1936	FC	1934		21½	7
Sutherland, Grover	R	N. Arkansas	1917	OT	1921	1921	1923	FC	1921	2	1948	29
Sweet, Frank M.	R	W. Oklahoma	1914	OT	1916	1916	1918	T	1920		1945	31
Taylor, Garland C.	El	N. Arkansas	1923	OT	1925	1925	1927	FC	1925		30½	
Teague, Otto W.	El	Little Rock	1926	OT	1928	1928	1930	T	1953		27½	
Thomason, Elmo A.	El	N. Arkansas	1943	OT	1945	1945	1946	FC	1945		10½	5
Turner, L. L.	El	N. Arkansas	1948	OT	1951	1951	1953	FC	1951		5½	5
Upton, James S.	El	N. Arkansas	1934	OT	1936	1936	1938	FC	1936		19½	
Villines, Floyd G.	R	Arkansas	1907	OT	1909	1909	1914	FC	1909	1948	41	4
Villines, Floyd G., Jr.	El	N. Arkansas	1941	OT	1943	1943	1946	T	1947		12½	3
Wade, H. Lynn	El	Arkansas	1911	OT	1913	1911	1915	FC	1913		42½	
Wages, Charles	El	Ft. Smith-Ok	1928	OT	1931		1936	FC	1931		25½	½
Walker, Willie L.	El	N. Arkansas	1952	OT	1954	1953		FC	1954		2	
Wasson, A. W.	R	China	1905	OT	1907	1905	1907	T	1913	1952	46½	
Watson, J. William	El	N. Arkansas	1939	OT	1941	1941	1943	FC	1941		14½	
Watson, Sam G.	El	W. River	1911	OT	1915	1915	1917	FC	1915		42½	
Wayland, E. T.	El	Arkansas	1912	OT	1914	1914	1916	FC	1914		41½	
Wayland, Ewing T.	El	N. Texas	1940	OT	1942	1941	1942	FC	1942		13½	
Weatherford, Frank	OT	N. Arkansas	1954	OT								5½
Weatherford, James F.	El	N. Arkansas	1947	OT	1949	1945	1952	FC	1949		6½	10
Weaver, Lester	R	Holston	1909	OT	1913	1906	1914	T	1921	3	1952	39½
Weaver, Porter	El	N. Arkansas	1919	OT	1921	1920	1923	FC	1921		34½	
Webb, Maurice C.	OT	N. Arkansas	1953	OT							1	2
Whaley, W. P.	R	Little Rock	1893	OT	1895	1892	1894	T	1925	1941	48	1
Whiddon, Thomas R.	El	Tennessee	1936	OT	1938	1938	1940	T	1943		17½	
Whitten, Coy E.	R	Little Rock	1914	OT	1916	1916	1920	T	1948	1954	39½	
Wilcox, J. Clarence	El	N. Arkansas	1942	OT	1944	1942	1944	FC	1944		11½	
Wildner, Wm. M.	El	N. Arkansas	1945	OT	1947	1947	1948	FC	1947		8½	1
Wilford, B. L.	R	W. River	1904	OT	1906	1902	1906	FC	1906	1948	44	½
Wilford, S. B.	El	N. Arkansas	1924	OT	1927	1927	1929	FC	1927		29½	
Williams, Walter J.	R	N. Arkansas	1914	OT	1916	1916	1921	FC	1916	1944	30	
Williams, Ernest B.	El	N. Arkansas	1924	OT	1926	1926	1929	FC	1926		29½	
Wilson, Charles F.	R	W. River	1905	OT	1909	1902	1911	FC	1909	5	1934	24
Wilson, David H.	OT	N. Arkansas	1954	OT								1
Wilson, John F.	El	N. Arkansas	1952	OT	1954	1954		FC	1954		2	
Wilson, Luther Karl	El	N. Texas	1932	OT	1935	1936	1939	T	1940		21½	
Winegeart, Jack S.	El	N. Arkansas	1952	OT	1954	1952	1954	FC	1954		2	
Womack, Harold D.	El	N. Arkansas	1942	OT	1944	1942	1944	FC	1944		11½	
Womack, John A.	R	N. Arkansas	1902	OT	1904	1902	1906	FC	1904	1950	47½	
Womack, W. M.	El	N. Arkansas	1948	OT	1951	1951	1953	FC	1951		5½	9
Womack, W. Vance	R	N. Arkansas	1910	OT	1912	1910	1915	FC	1912	1953	42½	½

Woodruff, Rudolph	El	N. Texas	1941	OT	1943	1942	1943	T	1949	.....	12½	.....
Woods, Woodrow	El	N. Arkansas	1946	OT	1948	1948	1950	FC	1948	.....	7½	3
Workman, James W.	El	N.Y.E.	1924	OT	1925	1924	1927	T	1929	.....	29½	.....
Workman, John S.	El	N. Arkansas	1951	OT	1953	1952	1954	FC	1953	.....	3	.....
Wright, Elvis D.	El	N. Arkansas	1947	OT	1951	1951	1954	FC	1951	.....	6½	7
Wyatt, C. B.	El	Little Rock	1925	OT	1927	1927	192	T	1949	.....	28½	.....
York, J. W.	R	Little Rock	1915	OT	1917	.....	1917	MP	1939	.....	1944	29
Yount, W. B.	El	M. P.	.....	OT	.....	.....	1911	MP	1939	.....	14½	2

STANDING RULES OF THE NORTH ARKANSAS CONFERENCE

(1) That each undergraduate, each approved supply pastor, and each candidate for conference membership be required to meet with the Board of Ministerial Training before or during the session of the annual conference unless hindered by circumstances beyond his control.

(2) That the lay members of the District Conference, in addition to the lay members provided for by the Discipline, shall consist of one delegate from each church in each Pastoral Charge; provided further, that each station charge shall have three elected delegates.

(3) That the figures answering the question in the pastor's report to Annual Conference: "Members reported last year" shall in every case be the number of members printed in the statistical tables of the Journal of the last Annual Conference.

(4) That the District Superintendent's figures of all apportionments be accepted as the official figures.

(5) That the apportionment for Conference and General Work be combined in the statistical report; and, that the amount paid be the figures of the Conference Treasurer.

(6) All statistical reports shall be delivered by the district superintendents to the conference statistician seven days before the opening session of the Annual Conference, and all settlements shall be made with the Conference Treasurer by June 1st.

(7) When a member of this Conference becomes a member of the Bishop's cabinet he shall automatically become ineligible to serve on any quadrennial board, committee, commission, or an officer in the Conference administration, except members specifically designated by the Discipline.

(8) That the Secretary of the Bishop's cabinet be instructed to provide the Secretary of the Annual Conference a record of any changes in Boundaries of Pastoral Charges or District Superintendent's District for insertion in the Conference Journal.

(9) That all members of the Annual Conference who attend its annual session, except superannuated and supernumerary preachers, be required to pay the host church one dollar registration fee.

(10) At all sessions of the Annual Conference entertainment provided by the host church shall consist of bed and breakfast, except for superannuates, for whom full entertainment shall be provided.

(11) Every board, commission, and committee receiving any money from conference funds shall present to the Commission on World Service and Finance annually by the time of the opening of the Annual Conference a detailed financial report including all receipts and expenditures.

(12) The list of lay delegates elected to Annual Conference shall be compiled by the district superintendents and sent to the host church and to the conference secretary thirty days before the opening of the Annual Conference.

(13) The District Stewards shall apportion the askings for World Service and Conference Benevolences, and for General Administration Fund, and Jurisdictional Expense, to the several charges in each district on an equitable basis.

(14) The conference treasurer shall close his books for the Conference Year seven days before the opening of the annual conference, and shall distribute to the several boards and commissions the moneys to which they are entitled by the time of the opening of the Annual Conference, and each board and commission receiving money from conference funds shall close its books on the opening day of annual conference.

(15) No one shall be nominated for re-election to a board or commission on which he has served more than a quadrennium immediately preceding his election.

(16) The secretary of the Board of Conference Claimants shall be a member of the secretarial staff of the conference and this person shall be charged with the responsibility of seeing that all records pertaining to service years be made identical.

(17) Any proposal to change the Standing Rules shall lie on the table overnight, and then its passage shall require a $\frac{3}{4}$ vote of those present and voting.

(18) That part of the report of all boards, commissions, committees and other agencies of the conference which provides for changes in policy or makes recommendations shall be mimeographed, printed, or otherwise duplicated and distributed to the membership of the conference prior to the time scheduled for action on said report.

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THE ROLL IN HEAVEN

PREPARED BY THE SECRETARY OF THE COMMITTEE ON MEMORIALS

In the performance of duty and in the service of Christ, the great Captain of our Salvation, they lived, and one by one they finished their work and entered into that rest that remaineth to the people of God.

NAME	Nativity	When Born	When Joined Conference	When Died	Years of Service	WHERE BURIED
Charles T. Ramsey.....	North Carolina	1794	1829	1836	7	Batesville, Ark.
Hiram Gehring.....	Michigan	1810	1837	1838	1	Cane Hill, Ark.
Thomas D. Stroud.....	Tennessee	.....	1846	1847	1	Little Rock, Ark.
William G. Bell.....	Tennessee	1818	1846	1847	1	.....
Abraham D. Overall.....	Tennessee	1817	1846	1847	1	.....
William B. Mason.....	North Carolina	1808	1837	1850	13	Horatio, Ark.
Juba Eastabrook.....	Vermont	1809	1838	1851	13	Fort Smith, Ark.
Horatio Perry.....	Tennessee	1811	1852	1857	5	Searcy, Ark.
Jessie W. Owen.....	Kentucky	1825	1852	1857	5	Papile, Ark.
Stephen Carlisle.....	Arkansas	1818	1839	1860	21	Searcy, Ark.
Jacob D. Whiteside.....	Tennessee	1811	1836	1860	24	.....
Pleasant Basham.....	.....	.....	1859	1862	3	.....
Lewis M. Marshe.....	Maryland	1789	1818	1863	31	Mount Vernon, Ark.
C. W. Corsey.....	Louisiana	1795	1860	1862	2	.....
Jessie S. McAlister.....	Ohio	1822	1847	1863	16	Tulip, Ark.
John H. Rice.....	Tennessee	1826	1849	1864	15	.....
Joseph W. Bissell.....	North Carolina	1835	1860	1865	5	.....
Travis Owen.....	South Carolina	1790	1814	1855	24	.....
James C. Beckham.....	North Carolina	1833	1856	1869	13	.....
William C. Ratcliffe.....	Virginia	1810	1834	1868	34	Mount Ida, Ark.
John Cowle.....	England	1815	1841	1870	33	Evansville, Ind.
Elijah McNabb.....	Kentucky	1821	1847	1870	24	Shiloh, Ark.
Jefferson Shook.....	Missouri	1820	1841	1872	30	Texas
William W. Gillespie.....	Mississippi	1841	1866	1872	5	Clarendon, Ark.
Stephen Farrish.....	Virginia	1816	1844	1873	29	Lewisburg, Ark.
William M. A. Cobb.....	North Carolina	1817	1838	1873	35	Cross County, Ark.
James T. Stock.....	North Carolina	1813	1854	1875	12	Hindsville, Ark.
George T. Pledges.....	Arkansas	1844	1874	1875	1	Delaware, Ark.
William T. Noe.....	Kentucky	1834	1857	1875	18	Forrest City, Ark.
John H. Hall.....	Tennessee	1835	1869	1875	6	Iuka, Ark.
Andrew Conley.....	Tennessee	1845	1872	1875	3	Harrisburg, Ark.
John W. Ross.....	North Carolina	1842	1872	1875	3	Marianna, Ark.
James B. McKamy.....	Alabama	1823	1872	1875	4	Bald Knob, Ark.
Burwell Lee.....	Tennessee	1809	1835	1877	42	Batesville, Ark.
Arthur Davis.....	Tennessee	1858	1871	1879	8	Forrest City, Ark.
Benjamin F. Hall.....	Tennessee	1835	1855	1879	24	Larkin, Ark.
John M. Bewley.....	Dist. Columbia	1801	1866	1880	14	Atkins, Ark.
Benjamin L. Ferguson.....	Arkansas	1830	1874	1880	6	Ozark, Ark.
Thomas E. Sewell.....	Arkansas	1837	1874	1881	7	Huntsville, Ark.
William Martyn.....	.....	.....	1880	1881	1	Dardanelle, Ark.
Thomas R. Nichols.....	Tennessee	1839	1876	1882	6	Van Buren, Ark.
John Moore Steele.....	Tennessee	1810	1837	1882	40	Harrisburg, Ark.
Felix L. Hartin.....	South Carolina	1851	1879	1882	4	Lamar, Ark.
Jacob W. Shook.....	Missouri	1823	1845	1882	37	Florida
William M. Avery.....	Tennessee	1850	1881	1882	1	Jackson County, Ark.
Thomas Hunt.....	North Carolina	1814	1847	1882	33	Arkansas
John J. Roberts.....	Pennsylvania	1817	1842	1883	41	Dardanelle, Ark.
Jessie Griffin.....	Arkansas	1837	1861	1883	30	Leslie, Ark.
Edwin R. Harrison.....	Arkansas	1849	1879	1883	4	Baxter County, Ark.
M. J. F. Beasley.....	Tennessee	1850	1876	1884	8	Marvell, Ark.
George A. Shaeffer.....	Mississippi	1833	1868	1884	16	Searcy, Ark.
Eli C. Jones.....	Vermont	1811	1854	1884	20	Mountain Home, Ark.
Elijah Dickson.....	Tennessee	1842	1875	1885	10	Oppello, Ark.
Alfred P. Melton.....	Georgia	1855	1878	1885	8	Quitman, Ark.
Thomas J. Smith.....	Illinois	1831	1855	1885	30	Dardanelle, Ark.
James A. Anderson.....	Arkansas	.....	1879	1885	17	El Paso, Ark.
William J. Dodson.....	Tennessee	1835	1870	1886	16	Altus, Ark.
James F. Hall.....	South Carolina	1832	1857	1887	30	Quitman, Ark.
Ed T. Jones.....	Tennessee	1830	1854	1888	34	Augusta, Ark.
Riley P. Harwood.....	Tennessee	1851	1880	1888	8	Florida
Thomas Vincent.....	Tennessee	1826	1870	1888	18	Searcy, Ark.
Moses C. Morris.....	Arkansas	1830	1859	1889	30	Beebe, Ark.
James B. Williams.....	Arkansas	1830	1885	1890	5	Yellville, Ark.
Harvey M. Granade.....	Tennessee	1841	1859	1890	31	Tennessee

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Stewart G. Maddox.....	Arkansas	1861	1888	1890	8	Bethesda, Ark.
J. C. Hooker.....	Arkansas	1888	1888	1890	2	Mountain Home, Ark.
Elias M. Baker.....	Tennessee	1828	1850	1891	41	Searcy, Ark.
Benoit Harris.....	Missouri	1827	1848	1892	44	Paragould, Ark.
Thomas Craig.....	Tennessee	1832	1871	1892	21	Melbourne, Ark.
James G. Miller.....	Arkansas	1844	1874	1892	21	Pocahontas, Ark.
John Rhyne.....	North Carolina	1821	1851	1894	43	Booneville, Ark.
Wilburn L. King.....	Kentucky	1838	1859	1895	36	Searcy, Ark.
John W. Patton.....	Tennessee	1839	1862	1895	33	Woodruff County, Ark.
Dudley W. Reed.....	Arkansas	1847	1869	1895	26	Conway, Ark.
James A. Peebles.....	Arkansas	1843	1869	1895	26	Clarksville, Ark.
George W. Boyles.....	Arkansas	1832	1859	1895	36	Altus, Ark.
John H. Wade.....	Tennessee	1821	1866	1895	26	Valley Springs, Ark.
James E. Martin.....	Kentucky	1852	1873	1895	22	Dyer, Ark.
Edman C. Castleberry.....	Georgia	1852	1878	1896	18	Augusta, Ark.
James A. Peeples.....	North Carolina	1827	1874	1896	22	Searcy, Ark.
Hardy M. Cryer.....	Tennessee	1848	1886	1896	10	North Little Rock, Ark.
W. H. W. Burns.....	Arkansas	1855	1877	1897	29	Ozark, Ark.
William H. Batten.....	Tennessee	1853	1887	1897	10	Mt. Pisgah, Ark.
Vincent V. Harlan.....	Georgia	1851	1875	1897	22	Clarksville, Ark.
Robert F. Emerson.....	Missouri	1857	1895	1897	3	Phoenix, Ariz.
James L. Hays.....	Tennessee	1841	1880	1899	19	Paragould, Ark.
John C. Ritter.....	North Carolina	1841	1871	1899	28	Huntsville, Ark.
Francis A. Taff, Jr.....	Arkansas	1871	1896	1899	3	Waldron, Ark.
John Edison.....	Kentucky	1850	1885	1899	14	Jonesboro, Ark.
Josephus Loving.....	Virginia	1811	1874	1900	26	Des Arc, Ark.
William H. Corley.....	Tennessee	1837	1870	1900	30	Van Buren, Ark.
Preston B. Hopkins.....	Tennessee	1848	1878	1900	22	Elm Spring, Ark.
Burton Williams.....	Missouri	1824	1852	1900	48	Eureka Springs, Ark.
William B. Roe.....	Tennessee	1848	1894	1901	7	Lorado, Ark.
William H. Metheney.....	Tennessee	1837	1868	1901	33	Berryville, Ark.
B. W. Ashton.....	Mississippi	1848	1883	1901	18	Charleston, Ark.
Francis A. Taff, Sr.....	Tennessee	1823	1859	1901	42	Waldron, Ark.
Pierce Merrill.....	Kentucky	1854	1888	1901	13	Fayetteville, Ark.
Frank Ritter.....	North Carolina	1847	1874	1902	15	Jonesboro, Ark.
Robert G. Brittain.....	North Carolina	1826	1854	1902	46	Beebe, Ark.
John M. Clayton.....	Arkansas	1838	1860	1902	42	Pea Ridge, Ark.
Edward H. Wallis.....	Mississippi	1869	1896	1903	7	Searcy, Ark.
Able C. Ray.....	Tennessee	1826	1862	1903	36	Quitman, Ark.
William S. Bristow.....	Arkansas	1867	1888	1903	15	Dardanelle, Ark.
Sidney H. Babcock.....	Georgia	1849	1868	1903	35	Jonesboro, Ark.
William R. Foster.....	Tennessee	1828	1858	1903	37	Jonesboro, Ark.
Jeff J. Alexander.....	Tennessee	1830	1873	1903	30	Mt. Pleasant, Ark.
Richard M. Manly.....	Virginia	1831	1884	1903	19	Brinkley, Ark.
George W. Hill.....	South Carolina	1250	1880	1904	24	Conway, Ark.
Lee E. Southard.....	Arkansas	1873	1899	1904	5	Spring Hill, Ark.
Courtland P. Smith.....	Kentucky	1870	1891	1904	13	Clarendon, Ark.
Dave H. Conyers.....	Tennessee	1866	1904	1905	1	Friendship, Tenn.
Thomas J. Settle.....	Tennessee	1841	1870	1905	35	Harrisburg, Ark.
James M. Talkington.....	Alabama	1835	1870	1905	35	Searcy, Ark.
Julien C. Brown.....	Alabama	1856	1874	1905	31	Helena, Ark.
William J. Stone.....	Mississippi	1836	1874	1905	25	Houston, Ark.
Alexander G. Graham.....	Tennessee	1827	1858	1906	32	Floresville, Ark.
Stephen W. Register.....	Georgia	1838	1880	1906	26	Conway, Ark.
Franklin R. Noe.....	Missouri	1846	1879	1906	27	Sulphur Rock, Ark.
James M. C. Hamilton.....	Alabama	1840	1881	1907	26	Hartford, Ark.
Thomas F. Fisackerly.....	Mississippi	1862	1894	1907	13	Little Rock, Ark.
Stephen D. Evans.....	Mississippi	1836	1884	1908	24	Searcy, Ark.
Henry B. Cox.....	Tennessee	1843	1889	1908	19	Rector, Ark.
W. R. Gardner.....	Tennessee	1828	1868	1909	14	Greenwood, Ark.
Ellison M. Davis.....	Missouri	1828	1868	1909	41	Ravenden Springs
J. M. Bull.....	London	1839	1905	1909	4	Gentry, Ark.
Printice B. Wallis.....	Arkansas	1850	1886	1909	23	Searcy, Ark.
Samuel L. Cochran.....	Tennessee	1847	1876	1909	33	Brinkley, Ark.
John W. Taylor.....	Tennessee	1876	1904	1910	6	Magazine, Ark.
James R. Edwards.....	Kentucky	1844	1883	1910	27	Rector, Ark.
Robert B. Shell.....	Mississippi	1858	1908	1910	2	Adona, Ark.
Gershom S. Morehead.....	Mississippi	1866	1900	1910	10	Hickory Flat, Miss.
James Cox.....	Tennessee	1831	1870	1911	14	Waldron, Ark.
Charles H. Gregory.....	Kentucky	1837	1870	1911	41	Little Rock, Ark.

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George A. Donnelly.....	South Carolina	1824	1856	1911	55	Searcy, Ark.
G. W. Marvin Freeman.....	Tennessee	1874	1907	1911	4	Viola, Ark.
John H. Tobett.....	Tennessee	1828	1886	1912	48	Bentonville, Ark.
John F. Armstrong.....	Tennessee	1842	1862	1912	38	Ravenden Springs
Robert H. Grissett.....	Tennessee	1848	1886	1911	48	Ravenden Springs
William M. Watson.....	Tennessee	1839	1866	1912	44	Gainesville, Ark.
Isom L. Burrow.....	Tennessee	1833	1860	1913	40	Altus, Ark.
William K. Biggs.....	Arkansas	1856	1890	1913	23	Quitman, Ark.
John E. Dunnaway.....	Tennessee	1844	1877	1914	30	Boone County, Ark.
John W. House.....	Arkansas	1862	1893	1914	20	Springdale, Ark.
James D. Rutledge.....	Tennessee	1855	1883	1914	17	Blytheville, Ark.
Thomas B. Williamson.....	Tennessee	1847	1885	1915	30	Paragould, Ark.
William F. Lock.....	Tennessee	1850	1875	1915	30	Batesville, Ark.
George W. Evans.....	Canada	1830	1852	1915	42	Booneville, Ark.
John C. Shipp.....	Mississippi	1834	1889	1915	26	Belleville, Ark.
John McKelvey.....	Tennessee	1869	1904	1915	11	Harrisburg, Ark.
Francis A. Jeffett.....	Virginia	1849	1877	1916	39	Cotton Plant, Ark.
Crowder B. Moseley.....	Mississippi	1860	1880	1916	36	Seattle, Wash.
Vander T. McCaffrey.....	Alabama	1863	1914	1913	2	Talladega, Ala.
Thomas Martin.....	Missouri	1875	1908	1916	8	Elm Springs, Ark.
Waller E. Boggs.....	Virginia	1859	1881	1917	37	Fort Smith, Ark.
Alonzo C. Griffin.....	Alabama	1845	1875	1917	42	Paragould, Ark.
Zachariah W. Lindsey.....	Alabama	1845	1876	1918	22	Waco, Tex.
O. J. Beardslee.....	Illinois	1863	1839	1918	23	Moline, Ill.
Henry T. Gregory.....	South Carolina	1838	1878	1919	39	Searcy, Ark.
Alexander Mathes.....	Tennessee	1835	1876	1919	12	Hinkles, Mo.
George M. Hill.....	Arkansas	1853	1874	1919	28	Marianna, Ark.
George W. O. Davis.....	Arkansas	1839	1902	1920	18	Russellville, Ark.
Samuel F. Dykes.....	Arkansas	1840	1887	1920	21	Phoenix, Ariz.
William B. Johnsey.....	Kentucky	1840	1867	1920	40	Rogers, Ark.
Thomas Y. Ramsey.....	Alabama	1849	1875	1921	46	Little Rock, Ark.
Troy C. Roddy.....	Arkansas	1893	1920	1921	1	Newburgh, Ark.
John S. Watson.....	Tennessee	1844	1877	1921	38	Thayer, Mo.
Green B. Griffin.....	Arkansas	1854	1891	1921	28	Calico Rock, Ark.
Elmon M. Kelsey.....	Arkansas	1880	1916	1922	6	Conway, Ark.
William P. Talkington.....	Arkansas	1873	1897	1922	25	Searcy, Ark.
Richmond M. Traylor.....	Tennessee	1846	1871	1922	22	Bentonville, Ark.
John Score.....	Norway	1865	1894	1923	33	Manchester, Mo.
Banks M. Burrow.....	Tennessee	1860	1892	1923	26	Altus, Ark.
Young A. Gilmore.....	Alabama	1858	1885	1923	32	Oakley's Chapel, Ark.
Edwin S. Harris.....	Tennessee	1868	1885	1923	22	Paris, Tenn.
James H. O'Bryant.....	Mississippi	1869	1877	1923	44	Rogers, Ark.
David J. Weems.....	Georgia	1857	1877	1923	46	Conway, Ark.
Nichols E. Skinner.....	South Carolina	1848	1878	1924	34	Conning, Ark.
Henry E. May.....	Arkansas	1848	1889	1924	28	Caldwell, Ark.
General L. Horton.....	Arkansas	1862	1897	1924	12	Belleville, Ark.
Francis M. Smith.....	Georgia	1857	1877	1924	36	Pleasant Valley, Ark.
James E. Buchanan.....	Arkansas	1862	1910	1924	14	Gainesville, Ark.
Henry Smith.....	Arkansas	1877	1907	1924	16	Siloam Springs, Ark.
William H. Dyer.....	Arkansas	1856	1888	1924	17	Fayetteville, Ark.
Stephen F. Brown.....	Virginia	1854	1887	1925	30	Gentry, Ark.
Eugene J. Woodruff.....	Georgia	1867	1878	1925	30	Fort Smith, Ark.
Franklin S. H. Johnston.....	Georgia	1857	1878	1926	48	Conway, Ark.
Riley Jones.....	Kentucky	1886	1912	1926	8	Booneville, Ark.
William F. Walker.....	Tennessee	1855	1884	1926	33	Paragould, Ark.
William B. Hays.....	Mississippi	1866	1896	1927	30	Little Rock, Ark.
Hugh H. Armstrong.....	Arkansas	1856	1885	1928	29	Lincoln, Ark.
Winfield S. Southworth.....	Arkansas	1847	1874	1928	34	Imboden, Ark.
Zachary T. Bennett.....	Tennessee	1849	1874	1928	52	Fort Smith, Ark.
John S. Hackler.....	Arkansas	1843	1887	1928	32	Fort Smith, Ark.
John H. Barrentine.....	Mississippi	1866	1888	1928	23	Holly Grove, Ark.
John H. Sturdy.....	Mississippi	1850	1896	1929	19	Elm Springs, Ark.
Bascom Monk.....	Alabama	1858	1877	1929	18	Cabot, Ark.
Charles H. Nelson.....	Mississippi	1863	1896	1929	12	Conway, Ark.
Matthew M. Smith.....	Tennessee	1849	1875	1929	39	Paragould, Ark.
Owen H. Tucker.....	Ohio	1850	1883	1930	33	Fayetteville, Ark.
Dillard L. Yates.....	Kentucky	1898	1925	1930	3	Mayfield, Ky.
Thomas J. Justice.....	North Carolina	1881	1919	1930	13	Gravette, Ark.
John H. Dye.....	Arkansas	1842	1869	1931	47	Searcy, Ark.
John W. Griffin.....	Arkansas	1848	1891	1931	23	Valley Springs, Ark.

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Willis E. Cooper.....	Arkansas	1890	1926	1931	5	Paragould, Ark.
William J. Jordan.....	Arkansas	1833	1921	1931	10	Gentry, Ark.
L. A. Blevans.....	Missouri	1844	1898	1931	30	Carthage, Mo.
Thomas A. Martin.....	Arkansas	1855	1875	1931	39	Gentry, Ark.
George McGlumphy.....	Illinois	1867	1896	1931	25	Fort Smith, Ark.
Charles F. Hively.....	Arkansas	1866	1910	1932	20	Little Rock, Ark.
Milton F. Umsted.....	Tennessee	1847	1876	1932	46	Newport, Ark.
Cadesman Pope.....	Georgia	1837	1860	1932	50	La Grange, Ga.
William F. Blevins.....	Arkansas	1878	1908	1932	26	Searcy, Ark.
John P. Wheeler.....	Missouri	1855	1905	1932	14	Memphis, Tenn.
James B. Stevenson.....	Arkansas	1860	1883	1933	48	Conway, Ark.
Walton E. Hall.....	Arkansas	1872	1895	1933	38	Walnut Ridge, Ark.
W. Fletcher Evans.....	Alabama	1859	1888	1933	33	Marianna, Ark.
Charles L. Castleberry.....	Georgia	1863	1888	1933	31	Jonesboro, Ark.
Ashby F. Skinner.....	South Carolina	1864	1893	1933	33	Conway, Ark.
Alex. M. R. Branson.....	Georgia	1856	1886	1933	30	Blytheville, Ark.
John W. Campbell.....	Virginia	1860	1913	1933	15	Conway, Ark.
William T. Thompson.....	Arkansas	1874	1887	1933	36	Booneville, Ark.
Francis H. Cumming.....	Illinois	1856	1903	1934	31	Memphis, Tenn.
Edward Forrest.....	Arkansas	1871	1905	1934	29	Searcy, Ark.
James M. Thrasher.....	Tennessee	1852	1881	1934	43	Tioga, Tex.
John T. Gossett.....	Mississippi	1866	1898	1935	25	Searcy, Ark.
Edward J. Slaughter.....	Arkansas	1882	1906	1935	30	Harrisburg, Ark.
John R. Jordan.....	North Carolina	1879	1911	1935	24	Bradley, Ark.
Milton F. Johnson.....	Illinois	1868	1897	1935	36	Siloam Springs, Ark.
William W. Anderson.....	Illinois	1838	1868	1935	27	Searcy, Ark.
Elisha Dyer.....	Arkansas	1873	1894	1935	29	Dyer, Ark.
Fred A. Little.....	Ireland	1868	1894	1936	19	San Angelo, Tex.
Sidney S. Key.....	Tennessee	1841	1860	1937	30	Dardanelle, Ark.
Alonzo McKelvey.....	Tennessee	1872	1906	1937	28	Paragould, Ark.
Samuel H. Blackwell.....	Tennessee	1862	1890	1937	21	Memphis, Tenn.
Charles Edwards.....	Arkansas	1875	1906	1937	12	Elm Springs, Ark.
Isaiah D. McClure.....	Indiana	1861	1899	1937	33	Monette, Ark.
Thomas A. Bowen.....	Arkansas	1854	1891	1938	34	Jonesboro, Ark.
Alfred E. Holloway.....	Arkansas	1868	1892	1937	45	Conway, Ark.
Julian E. Lark.....	Arkansas	1875	1908	1938	30	Van Buren, Ark.
V. B. Utley.....	Kentucky	1858	1922	1938	10	Deering, Mo.
J. M. McAnally.....	Arkansas	1858	1886	1938	33	Ozark, Ark.
Henry Hanesworth.....	England	1858	1886	1938	33	Augusta, Ark.
T. H. Wright.....	Tennessee	1874	1923	1939	12	Elm Springs, Ark.
Jesse M. Williams.....	Arkansas	1864	1889	1940	35	Morrilton, Ark.
J. M. Fryar.....	Tennessee	1882	1912	1940	28	Beebe, Ark.
William Monroe Adcock.....	Arkansas	1864	1907	1940	30	Charleston, Ark.
James H. Cummins.....	Tennessee	1854	1881	1939	14	Harrison, Ark.
John Kelly Farris.....	South Carolina	1859	1892	1940	31	Wynne, Ark.
H. M. Honey.....	Arkansas	1852	1899	1940	30	Ozark, Ark.
William E. Benbrook.....	Arkansas	1898	1924	1941	17	Centeron, Ark.
James C. Weaver.....	Arkansas	1851	1887	1941	28	Waldron, Ark.
John T. Hood.....	Tennessee	1863	1899	1941	29	Forrest City, Ark.
Bedford L. Harris.....	Tennessee	1864	1888	1941	48	Conway, Ark.
Albert T. Galloway.....	Missouri	1857	1897	1941	52	Augusta, Ark.
Eli Myers.....	Ohio	1859	1887	1941	46	Lebanon, Ind.
George Wendell Pyles.....	Tennessee	1886	1916	1941	25	Blytheville, Ark.
James F. Jernigan.....	Tennessee	1851	1875	1941	49	Moorefield, Ark.
Francis E. Dodson.....	Arkansas	1875	1898	1941	43	Searcy, Ark.
James F. Carter.....	Arkansas	1879	1914	1942	5	Walnut Ridge, Ark.
William C. Davidson.....	Arkansas	1868	1892	1942	43	Arkadelphia, Ark.
James W. Johnston.....	Missouri	1886	1914	1942	28	Batesville, Ark.
William Tell Martin.....	Arkansas	1864	1900	1943	25	Conway, Ark.
Rufus C. Morehead.....	Mississippi	1863	1888	1943	50	Conway, Ark.
Hezekiah K. Steward.....	Texas	1880	1916	1943	21	Cincinnati, Ark.
John W. Dew.....	Arkansas	1852	1896	1943	25	Cave City, Ark.
Eli N. Bickley.....	Tennessee	1863	1889	1943	28	Harrisburg, Ark.
Ransom S. Hayden.....	Arkansas	1896	1925	1943	19	Conway, Ark.
Thomas E. McKnight.....	Missouri	1909	1932	1945	13	Balarma, P. I.
James A. Anderson.....	Tennessee	1857	1879	1946	55	Forrest City, Ark.
J. R. Ashmore.....	Arkansas	1868	1902	1946	32	Belleville, Ark.
Hoy M. Lewis.....	Oklahoma	1886	1926	1946	11	Heber Springs, Ark.
Sam B. Wiggins.....	Mississippi	1860	1895	1946	17	Memphis, Tenn.
George M. Barton.....	Mississippi	1893	1917	1946	29	Jonesboro, Ark.

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Young J. Cathey.....	Arkansas	1853	1897	1947	20	Hickory Valley, Ark.
Don C. Holman.....	Kentucky	1876	1906	1947	40	Caruthersville, Mo.
Rex B. Wilkes.....	Texas	1880	1902	1947	41	Little Rock, Ark.
James L. Shelby.....	Arkansas	1883	1915	1947	29	Fort Smith, Ark.
James R. Nelson.....	Kentucky	1870	1895	1947	40	Camden, Tennessee
Charles Franklin.....	Missouri	1869	1895	1947	28	Fayette, Missouri
Fred R. Hamilton.....	Iowa	1880	1908	1948	28	Siloam Springs, Ark.
Hilary H. Blevins.....	Arkansas	1879	1914	1948	33	Searcy, Ark.
Hubert H. Hunt.....	Arkansas	1872	1894	1848	38	Mammoth Spring, Ark.
John B. Andrews.....	Alabama	1859	1894	1948	37	Siloam Springs, Ark.
Bailey E. Robertson.....	Arkansas	1879	1910	1948	37	Fort Smith, Ark.
T. W. Shipley.....	Arkansas	1855	1889	1948	33	Siloam Springs, Ark.
R. B. Howertson.....	Ohio	1889	1927	1949	21	Quitman, Ark.
George A. Burr.....	Arkansas	1863	1923	1949	12	Paragould, Ark.
R. E. L. Bearden.....	Arkansas	1872	1896	1949	42	Blytheville, Ark.
H. H. Griffin.....	Mississippi	1885	1906	1949	41	Paragould, Ark.
W. J. Faust.....	Tennessee	1875	1905	1949	41	Dyer, Ark.
Oscar E. Goddard.....	Arkansas	1867	1892	1950	48	Fort Smith, Ark.
E. W. Nelson.....	Kentucky	1877	1905	1950	22	North Little Rock, Ark.
D. Norman Weaver.....	Alabama	1857	1892	1950	26	Fort Smith, Ark.
Charles Jackson Wade.....	Georgia	1883	1915	1950	35	Scranton, Ark.
Francis Marion Tolleson.....	Arkansas	1872	1899	1950	41	Ozark, Ark.
Robert A. Robertson.....	Arkansas	1870	1900	1951	39	Gassville, Ark.
Eugene Watson Potter.....	Tennessee	1878	1904	1951	40	Fayette, Mo.
John D. Roberts.....	Arkansas	1877	1908	1951	21	Elm Springs, Ark.
W. Edward Bishop.....	Arkansas	1868	1888	1951	30	Elm Springs, Ark.
George G. Davidson.....	Arkansas	1868	1897	1952	45	Eureka Springs, Ark.
W. J. LeRoy.....	Arkansas	1876	1906	1952	39	Fort Smith, Ark.
Wilbur L. Oliver.....	Tennessee	1869	1901	1952	40	Jonesboro, Ark.
James T. Randle.....	Tennessee	1903	1926	1952	26	Booneville, Ark.
Sam M. Yancey.....	Tennessee	1878	1911	1952	39	Fayetteville, Ark.
Artie L. Cline.....	Missouri	1877	1898	1952	23	Siloam Springs, Ark.
William P. Emrah.....	Illinois	1875	1921	1952	25	Knobel, Ark.
J. F. Glover.....	Arkansas	1876	1912	1953	32	Paris, Ark.
L. E. Mann.....	Kentucky	1865	1917	1953	29	Carlyle, Kentucky
Allen D. Stewart.....	Tennessee	1888	1922	1953	30	Little Rock, Ark.
William F. Cooley.....	Arkansas	1910	1932	1953	21	Blytheville, Ark.
G. E. Patchell.....	Arkansas	1879	1906	1954	37	Newport, Ark.
R. E. Wilson.....	Arkansas	1886	1925	1954	28	McCrary, Ark.
J. T. Willcoxson.....	Alabama	1884	1909	1954	37	Nashville, Tenn.

SESSIONS OF THE CONFERENCE

The "Arkansas Conference" and the "White River Conference" were united in 1914 to form the present "North Arkansas Conference."

The Conference determined that its annual notation should date from the time of the organization of the Arkansas Conference in 1836, instead of following the date fixed by the consolidation of the Arkansas and White River Conferences, when the name was changed to North Arkansas Conference in 1914.

The Conference session of 1939 voted to maintain the numerical notation of the Conference in The Methodist Church.

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Date	Place	President	Secretary
1. 1836	Batesville.....	Bishop Morris.....	Wm. P. Ratcliffe
2. 1837	Little Rock.....	Bishop Andrew.....	Unknown
3. 1838	Washington.....	John Harrell.....	Unknown
4. 1839	Fayetteville.....	Bishop Andrew.....	J. M. Hammil
5. 1840	Little Rock.....	Bishop Waugh.....	Unknown
6. 1841	Batesville.....	Bishop Waugh.....	Unknown
7. 1842	Helena.....	Bishop Andrew.....	Unknown
8. 1843	Clarksville.....	Bishop Andrew.....	Unknown

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9. 1844	Little Rock.....	Bishop Soule.....	Unknown
10. 1845	Camden.....	Bishop Soule.....	Unknown
11. 1846	Van Buren.....	Bishop Paine.....	Unknown
12. 1847	Washington.....	Bishop Capers.....	Unknown
13. 1848	Pine Bluff.....	Bishop Andrew.....	Unknown
14. 1849	Batesville.....	Andrew Hunter.....	Unknown
15. 1850	Fayetteville.....	William Moore.....	Unknown
16. 1851	Camden.....	Bishop Capers.....	Unknown
17. 1852	Clarksville.....	Bishop Paine.....	Unknown
18. 1853	Tulip.....	Bishop Andrew.....	Unknown
19. 1854	Helena.....	Bishop Paine.....	Unknown
20. 1855	Fort Smith.....	Bishop Pierce.....	Jesse McAllister
21. 1856	Batesville.....	Bishop Pierce.....	John S. McCarver
22. 1857	Jacksonport.....	Bishop Kavanaugh.....	Unknown
23. 1858	Dardanelle.....	Bishop Early.....	Lewis P. Lively
24. 1859	Searcy.....	Bishop Paine.....	John M. Steele
25. 1860	Van Buren.....	Bishop Kavanaugh.....	John M. Steele
26. 1861	Dover.....	John M. Steele.....	Geo. A. Shaeffer
27. 1862	Searcy.....	John M. Steele.....	S. R. Trawick
28. 1863	Batesville.....	John M. Steele.....	E. T. Jones
29. 1864	Jacksonport.....	John Cowle.....	J. M. P. Hickerson
30. 1865	Jonesboro.....	John M. Steele.....	J. M. P. Hickerson
31. 1866	Searcy.....	Bishop Pierce.....	Unknown
32. 1867	Dover.....	Bishop Marvin.....	J. M. P. Hickerson
33. 1868	Jacksonport.....	Bishop Pierce.....	J. M. P. Hickerson
34. 1869	Fayetteville.....	Bishop Pierce.....	James Wickersham
35. 1870	Clarksville.....	Bishop Keener.....	H. R. Withers
*1870	Mt. Zion Church.....	Bishop Keener.....	James Wickersham
36. 1871	Van Buren.....	Bishop McTyeire.....	C. H. Gregory
*1871	Batesville.....	Bishop McTyeire.....	James Wickersham
37. 1872	Bentonville.....	Bishop Wightman.....	I. L. Burrow
*1872	Augusta.....	Bishop Wightman.....	James Wickersham
38. 1873	Dardanelle.....	Bishop Pierce.....	I. L. Burrow
*1873	Forrest City.....	Bishop Pierce.....	John H. Dye
39. 1874	Fort Smith.....	Bishop Kavanaugh.....	Jerome Harralson
*1874	Searcy.....	Bishop Kavanaugh.....	John H. Dye
40. 1875	Lewisburg.....	Bishop Wightman.....	I. L. Burrow
*1875	Helena.....	Bishop Doggett.....	John H. Dye
41. 1876	Yellville.....	Bishop Keener.....	W. H. Metheny
*1876	Batesville.....	Bishop Keener.....	John H. Dye
42. 1877	Fayetteville.....	Bishop Kavanaugh.....	W. H. Metheny
*1877	Augusta.....	Bishop Kavanaugh.....	John H. Dye
43. 1878	Russellville.....	Bishop McTyeire.....	I. L. Burrow
*1878	Searcy.....	Bishop Doggett.....	John H. Dye
44. 1879	Ozark.....	Bishop Pierce.....	I. L. Burrow
*1879	Jacksonport.....	Bishop Pierce.....	John W. Boswell
45. 1880	Fort Smith.....	Bishop McTyeire.....	W. H. Metheny
*1880	Helena.....	Bishop Pierce.....	George Thornburgh
46. 1881	Dardanelle.....	Bishop Pierce.....	W. H. Metheny
*1881	Beebe.....	Bishop McTyeire.....	George Thornburgh
47. 1882	Bentonville.....	Bishop Granbery.....	Geo. W. Hill
*1882	Forrest City.....	Bishop Wilson.....	George Thornburgh

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48. 1883	Clarksville	Bishop Granbery	John W. Boswell
*1883	Newport	Bishop Granbery	George Thornburgh
49. 1884	Van Buren	Bishop Hargrove	John W. Boswell
*1884	Batesville	Bishop Hargrove	George Thornburgh
50. 1885	Morrilton	Bishop Granbery	John W. Boswell
*1885	Helena	Bishop Granbery	George Thornburgh
51. 1886	Ozark	Bishop Galloway	John W. Boswell
*1886	Jonesboro	Bishop Galloway	George Thornburgh
52. 1887	Fayetteville	Bishop Galloway	John W. Boswell
*1887	Searcy	Bishop Galloway	George Thornburgh
53. 1888	Fort Smith	Bishop Key	W. H. Metheny
*1888	Paragould	Bishop Key	George Thornburgh
54. 1889	Conway	Bishop Hendrix	W. H. Metheny
*1889	Searcy	Bishop Hendrix	A. L. Malone
55. 1890	Eureka Springs	Bishop Fitzgerald	J. A. Walden
*1890	Marianna	Bishop Fitzgerald	A. L. Malone
56. 1891	Russellville	Bishop Duncan	J. A. Walden
*1891	Newport	Bishop Duncan	R. S. Deener
57. 1892	Bentonville	Bishop Wilson	J. A. Walden
*1892	Batesville	Bishop Wilson	R. S. Deener
58. 1893	Clarksville	Bishop Keener	J. A. Walden
*1893	Jonesboro	Bishop Keener	A. L. Malone
60. 1895	Dardanelle	Bishop Hendrix	J. A. Walden
*1894	Helena	Bishop Hendrix	Z. T. Bennett
61. 1896	Fayetteville	Bishop Haygood	James A. Anderson
*1895	Searcy	Bishop Fitzgerald	Z. T. Bennett
59. 1894	Quitman	Bishop Duncan	James A. Anderson
*1896	Paragould	Bishop Fitzgerald	Z. T. Bennett
62. 1897	Ozark	Bishop Hendrix	James A. Anderson
*1897	Newport	Bishop Hendrix	Z. T. Bennett
63. 1898	Morrilton	Bishop Morrison	James A. Anderson
*1898	Clarendon	Bishop Morrison	Z. T. Bennett
64. 1899	Springdale	Bishop Galloway	Henry Hanesworth
*1899	Searcy	Bishop Galloway	Z. T. Bennett
65. 1900	Fort Smith	Bishop Galloway	Henry Hanesworth
*1900	Jonesboro	Bishop Galloway	Z. T. Bennett
66. 1901	Conway	Bishop Key	Henry Hanesworth
*1901	Batesville	Bishop Key	Z. T. Bennett
67. 1902	Harrison	Bishop Hoss	Henry Hanesworth
*1902	Paragould	Bishop Hoss	Z. T. Bennett
68. 1903	Dardanelle	Bishop Hoss	Henry Hanesworth
*1903	Walnut Ridge	Bishop Hoss	Z. T. Bennett
69. 1904	Prairie Grove	Bishop Key	Henry Hanesworth
*1904	Augusta	Bishop Key	Z. T. Bennett
70. 1905	Russellville	Bishop Key	Henry Hanesworth
*1905	Helena	Bishop Galloway	Z. T. Bennett
71. 1906	Paris	Bishop Atkins	Henry Hanesworth
*1906	Wynne	Bishop Atkins	Z. T. Bennett
72. 1907	Bentonville	Bishop Hendrix	Henry Hanesworth
*1907	Corning	Bishop Hoss	F. M. Daniel
73. 1908	Van Buren	Bishop Hendrix	Henry Hanesworth
*1908	Jonesboro	Bishop Hendrix	F. M. Daniel
74. 1909	Morrilton	Bishop Hendrix	Henry Hanesworth
*1909	Searcy	Bishop Hendrix	F. M. Daniel
75. 1910	Fayetteville	Bishop McCoy	Henry Hanesworth
*1910	Forrest City	Bishop McCoy	F. M. Daniel
76. 1911	Booneville	Bishop McCoy	Henry Hanesworth
*1911	Blytheville	Bishop Candler	F. M. Daniel
77. 1912	Atkins	Bishop Candler	Henry Hanesworth
*1912	Newport	Bishop McCoy	F. M. Daniel
78. 1913	Eureka Springs	Bishop Kilgo	Henry Hanesworth
*1913	Clarendon	Bishop Kilgo	F. M. Daniel

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79. 1914	Batesville	H. C. Morrison	F. M. Daniel
80. 1915	Conway	H. C. Morrison	F. M. Daniel
81. 1916	Searcy	E. D. Mouzon	F. M. Daniel
82. 1917	Helena	E. D. Mouzon	F. M. Daniel
83. 1918	Clarksville	E. D. Mouzon	H. E. Wheeler
84. 1919	Jonesboro	E. D. Mouzon	H. E. Wheeler
85. 1920	Rogers	E. D. Mouzon	H. E. Wheeler
86. 1921	Fort Smith	E. D. Mouzon	H. E. Wheeler
87. 1922	Marianna	James Atkins	H. E. Wheeler
88. 1923	Walnut Ridge	James Atkins	H. E. Wheeler
89. 1924	Fayetteville	Sam R. Hay	F. M. Tolleson
90. 1925	Conway	Sam R. Hay	F. M. Tolleson
91. 1926	Paragould	Hiram A. Boaz	F. M. Tolleson
92. 1927	Searcy	Hiram A. Boaz	F. M. Tolleson
93. 1928	Jonesboro	Hiram A. Boaz	F. M. Tolleson

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Date	Place	President	Secretary
94. 1929	Russellville	Hiram A. Boaz	F. M. Tolleson
95. 1930	Helena	Hoyt M. Dobbs	F. M. Tolleson
96. 1931	Conway	Hoyt M. Dobbs	F. M. Tolleson
97. 1932	Fort Smith	Hoyt M. Dobbs	F. M. Tolleson
98. 1933	Jonesboro	Hoyt M. Dobbs	E. T. Wayland
99. 1934	Fayetteville	John M. Moore	E. T. Wayland
100. 1935	Conway	John M. Moore	E. T. Wayland
101. 1936	Batesville	John M. Moore	E. T. Wayland
102. 1937	Fort Smith	John M. Moore	W. V. Womack
103. 1938	Paragould	Chas. C. Selecman	S. B. Wiggins

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104. 1939	Morrilton	Chas. C. Selecman	S. B. Wiggins
105. 1940	Jonesboro	Chas. C. Selecman	S. B. Wiggins
106. 1941	Harrison	Chas. C. Selecman	Benj. C. Few
107. 1942	Batesville	Chas. C. Selecman	Benj. C. Few
108. 1943	Russellville	Chas. C. Selecman	James S. Upton
109. 1944	Morrilton	Paul E. Martin	James S. Upton
110. 1946	Walnut Ridge	Paul E. Martin	James S. Upton
111. 1946	Searcy	Paul E. Martin	James S. Upton
112. 1947	Forrest City	Paul E. Martin	James S. Upton
113. 1948	Fort Smith	Paul E. Martin	Ewing T. Wayland
114. 1949	Mt. Sequoyah, Fayetteville	Paul E. Martin	Ewing T. Wayland
115. 1950	North Little Rock	Paul E. Martin	Ewing T. Wayland
116. 1951	Paragould	Paul E. Martin	Ewing T. Wayland
117. 1952	Blytheville	Paul E. Martin	Alfred A. Knox
118. 1953	Fayetteville	Paul E. Martin	Alfred A. Knox
119. 1954	Batesville	Paul E. Martin	Alfred A. Knox